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## HUMBLD FORMER GATEWAY CRITICS REPENT, FORM 'LOYA-LIST'

**DAVE'S DEVOTEES** Rehabilitated Gateway Area Plan critics gather at the Old Creamery in praise of once-reviled Community Development Director David Loya. BLARVERINE VILTRIPPLE | BUNON

**Wignum Norbobbles**  
FATTY LIVER BUNION  
ARCATA, APRIL 1 – Where once they might not have given Community Development Director David Loya the time of day – or *had* time to between casting him as a mustache-twisting villain committed to destroying Arcata, former Gateway Area Plan (GAP) critics have

done a spectacular 180. Now they're singing a different, less mordant tune about the GAP's principal architect – one of praise and gratitude for expediting housing creation in Arcata. "We always said we were pro-housing," noted prominent GAP critic Ned Wise. "Now we can go full steam ahead on providing homes for people. What turning the tide? LOYA-LIST ❖ PAGE A6

## Cal Poly dorm crane gains AI brain

### 'AllUpstairs McCrane' on building binge

**Scurvitz DuBlivney**  
FATTY LIVER BUNION  
ARCATA, APRIL 1 – Adding artificial intelligence to its construction crane has helped builders of new student housing to vastly exceed productivity expectations, according to Cal Poly Humboldt.

Now, if we could just make it stop. The crane, towering over the imaginatively-branded Student Housing Project at the former Craftsman Mall site, unexpectedly went sentient last Thursday, locking out human controllers, embarking on its own building plan and opening up multiple DoorDash accounts in the name of George Jetson.



**BUSY BOT** The construction crane, now with a mind of its own, is rapidly building multiple high-rise residence halls. FLOONZARB PIMFULENCH | BUNON

Programmers had hoped the supercrane could use AI to prioritize tasks and enhance safety margins, but the now-conscious crane had other ideas, starting with its name. MCCRANE ❖ PAGE A2

## Chervil, the new cannabis



A Shively Chervil farmer.

**FATTY LIVER BUNION**  
HUMBOLDT, APRIL 1 – County economic planners are looking beyond cannabis to a new herbal cash cow: chervil. The culinary herb's potential benefit to Humboldt was described as "explosive" by a new report pre-CHERVIL ❖ PAGE A2

## City of Arcata forms new foreign policy wing

**Choimnord Blarfsqueebles**  
FATTY LIVER BUNION  
ARCATA, APRIL 1 – To better wield its deep influence on global affairs, the City of Arcata is forming its own foreign policy think tank, charged with advising decision-makers on weighty international issues. The 13-member body will be composed of the most impassioned public speakers at City Council and Planning Commission meetings, as ascertained by blood pressure and other biometric monitors attached to the councilmem-

bers and commissioners during recent meetings. Members of the new Planetary Wisdom Committee will receive a monthly stipend of \$1,500 plus unlimited foot massages, aromatherapy and ear candlings to stimulate pontification. A deluxe espresso machine with full-time attendant and pastry chef will also help fuel insights. Funding will come from cancellation of all Parks and Rec children's programs. "It's a matter of priorities," said a city spokesperson. "It's actually cheaper to just issue the kids tablets and turn them loose on TikTok." COMMITTEES ❖ PAGE A3

## Humboldt Goop Ladies deliver cosmetics to the needy



**PHILANTHROPIC OUTREACH** A squad of model citizens pass out mascara and lip gloss to the indigent in Valley West. WILPERSNIME WUBDUZZLY | BUNON

## Selfless supermodels impart fashion tips, beauty secrets to impoverished campers

**Frelp Clamvanard**  
FATTY LIVER BUNION  
ARCATA, APRIL 1 – Going to where the need is greatest, a small but emaciated team of high-end fashion models are bringing beauty to Arcata's remotest corners. Doing their part, the Humboldt Goop Ladies are modeled, as it were, after the Humboldt Soup Ladies, who feed the unhoused on a nightly basis. "We felt there was something missing," said Zelda Zergwonicker, leady Goop lady. "Food is just fine, I mean, if you're into that sort of thing. But how can you feel fabulous if you don't look fabulous?" GOOP'S ON ❖ PAGE A2



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**Redwood Community Rx announces acquisition of all Humboldt CVS locations!**

HUMBOLDT – Redwood Community Pharmacy announced today that it is acquiring all CVS locations in Humboldt County, and eventually plans total dominance of the West Coast of the United States. "We won't be stopped!" said the owners of Redwood Community Rx. But not everyone is pleased with the move. "It is a sad day for conglomerates. The Big Guy just can't win," said a CVS representative.



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Tough luck, Zuck stuck

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WESTHAVEN, APRIL 1 – Facebook founder and CEO Mark Zuckerberg filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection Tuesday after Westhaven senior Velma Homebody posted the popular “I do not give Facebook permission” statement on her Facebook page.

The statement, which has circulated in various forms since at least 2012, typically starts with some variation of “Don’t forget! Tomorrow starts the new Facebook rule where they can use your photos, information or anything else you post on Facebook!”

The empowering statement goes on to advise the reader to copy and paste a statement that says “I do not give Facebook permission to use my photos, information, messages or posts” along with a smattering of legalese.

“My son-in-law told me it was a hoax and that I shouldn’t post it” said the 81-year-old Mrs. Homebody. “But I just figured, what could it hurt? I don’t post a lot of stuff on Facebook except for pictures of my cat, Mr. Fluffybottom, and I didn’t want that Zuckerberg fellow to steal them.”

Facebook parent company Meta specifically cited Fluffybottom in its petition for bankruptcy protection, noting, “Facebook’s forward-looking financial projections through 2028 have been predicated on assumed ownership and commercial use of images of Mr. Fluffybottom obtained from Mrs. Homebody’s account, with an assumed future value exceeding \$390 billion.”

The loss of Mr. Fluffybottom from Facebook’s image portfolio could result in Facebook’s overall value falling from its current \$1.3 trillion down to just over \$900 billion.

“We have tried and tried to find a legal loophole in her statement, but it’s ironclad,” bemoaned Facebook spokesperson Regina Grifter. “Her clever use of cut-and-paste along with impenetrable legal gobbledegoop clearly overrides the terms of service she’s approved to get a Facebook account.”

Shortly before press time, the *Fatty Liver Bunion* received a tip that Zuckerberg had been seen living in a tent in the Manila Dunes and was scrounging for loose chervil and washed-up gull carcasses. The reports couldn’t be immediately confirmed, but are far too appealing to fact-check anyway.



GROUND TRUTH Tourists marvel at Rock Nothing at Eighth and H streets, above, and at the abandoned sculpture base at Eighth and G Streets. Both prominent fixtures symbolize Arcata's pride in its town square.

Spimbrik Gervaldiber  
FATTY LIVER BUNION  
ARCATA, APRIL 1 – Tourists from around the world still flock to the Arcata Plaza to puzzle at its figurehead fixture at Eighth and H streets, Rock Nothing.

The blank boulder with a random smear of concrete across its face projects a message that the city fathers/mothers want the town square to be known for, that being: *we don't care*.

Meanwhile, another pudgy ground-level Plaza fixture just across the way at Eighth and G streets also inspires wonder in passersby – an abandoned sculpture base.

The grimy, listing concrete cylinder

years ago held a huge metal tentacle which was struck by a car and never replaced.

“You mean they just leave it like this?” queried Yvette Dwilbsmurf, a visitor from Belgium, as she gazed at the greenish-black sheen of a lichen colony forming on the rotund plinth. “Why, I wonder?”

Why indeed? For is art not about inspiring wonder in its observers? Its rotund haunch secured firmly in Arcata’s fertile soil, the stolid sculpture base’s mounting bolts spiraling heavenward in hopes of being screwed onto something, as do we all, while Rock Nothing’s concrete schmear beckons, like a Rorschach Blot, imaginative interpretation.

That answer your question?



“No, I mean why ze hell would you keep this butt-ugly thing on your main Plaza?” Dwilbsmurf clarified.

The Parks and Rec Committee established the system of plinths about town way back in the Aughts.

It was nice for the five minutes that it lasted, but that was then and this now, when half-finished monuments define the Arcata Plaza’s southern corners, all with the passive blessing of several City Councils that have come and gone.

At the same time, the mouldering ruins do carry artistic symbolism, boldly embodying the town’s limited attention span.

Contacted for comment, a city spokesperson blamed inaction on the blighted fixtures on COVID-19.

CHP promises renewed safety commitment with new Turnsignal Academy

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FATTY LIVER BUNION  
HUMBOLDT, APRIL 1 – Humboldt motorists will gain new insight into the directions and intentions of area California Highway Patrol (CHP) cars in months to come, now that the agency has stood up its innovative new Officer Turnsignal Academy.

A freshly constructed, multimillion-dollar facility outside Sacramento boasts classrooms, a theatre and proving track, plus a small library dedicated to turnsignal history and research.

Why the sudden surge in turnsignaling?

“People often ask us, ‘Why don’t CHP cars use their blinkers when entering the northbound U.S. Highway 101 onramp from your Samoa Boulevard office, or anywhere else, except on an unpredictably

intermittent basis consistent with a certain level of institutional arrogance?” explained Northern Humboldt Area CHP Commander DuFlesma Palvsqueech. “Maybe the best law enforcement in the world is entitled to a little entitlement.”

Still, he said he asked his officers why their worklives are so blinker-free as they rove about the landscape saving idiots from themselves. Their response?

“No one told us to!”

That’s all changed now though, as agency bigwigs have set up a new, one-of-a-kind training facility focused on one thing – that neglected prince of steering wheel stalks, the turnsignal.

“This is without a doubt the world’s finest flasher-forward training facility,” Palvsqueech declared.

Officers sent for retraining spend their first few days immersing themselves in the wonders of the steering column. “We call it the

Grand Tour,” Palvsqueech said.

Gradually, so as not to shock the uniformed students, emphasis shifts to the region on the column’s left-hand side. At this point, the officers are introduced to the program’s cuddly mascot, Blinky the Blinker.

“It’s the best cartoon vehicle accessory mascot in the world,” Palvsqueech beamed.

The plucky little turnsignal switch dances its way into officers’ hearts as it leads them in song. Favorite tunes are, “Be Clever, Flick the Lever,” “Use Your Thinker, Hit That Blinker” and “Left or Right? Say it Bright!”

A *Blinky the Blinker* coloring book was briefly used to aid comprehension and retention, but the attrition rate of crayons lost to officers chewing through the entire supply dealt the key learning aid a death blow.



“We had to shelve that part of the curriculum,” said the commander, brushing a few waxy crumbs from his mustache. “Do I look like I’m made of crayons?” (He does not. For the most part.)

To those who wonder why it takes six weeks to learn how to flip a blinker, Commander Palvsqueech said students can’t be rushed through the demanding, systematic syllabus, surely the world’s finest.

After the initial week-long turnsignal lever familiarization period, officers spend two weeks on turning left, then two on turning right.

“We really get into the weeds on everything,” Palvsqueech said. “Maintaining proper muscle tone in the left arm, blinker bulb re-

placement – *nothing* is off limits.”

Friday nights are reserved for “Let’s Brainstorm Blinkers” gatherings, where officers hold frank “rap sessions” on turnsignal use – the finest such gabfests in the world, according to a well-placed source. Weather permitting, the signal scholars can gather ‘round a campfire to tell scary stories of depraved blinker neglect.

The final week is consumed with advanced classes celebrating turnsignal use via papier-mâché, embroidery, Macramé and interpretive dance.

These are incorporated into a course-capping “Turnsignal Extravaganza” talent show put on by the student officers, with winners awarded their own Blinky plush toy.

The next day, a review of the troops is held on the academy’s parade grounds, following which graduates perform the tightly choreographed Left-Right March.

Chervil | Methadone

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pared by a consultant.

“In a post-cannabis industry scenario, chervil is stepping up as not just a delicious, parsley-like flavor with a slight licorice tang perfect for poultry, seafood, young spring vegetables, soups, and sauces, but Humboldt County’s sprightly green economic savor,” said Glompfnord Mandrusap, county finance minister.

A marketing firm has been hired to conjure chervil-laced recipes for use in school nutrition programs, while medical experts are suggesting that the versatile herb might serve as a surrogate smokeable for cannabis users wishing to wean themselves off the weed. “Sort of like methadone,” Mandrusap said.

The rise of chervil has seen a downside, however. Area homes are being converted to “chervil mills,” where the herb is cultivated and processed. Neighbors report bad odors, fan noise and large, loud vehicles coming and going around the clock, plus big mean dogs and rude notes left on cars, but many are hesitant to speak for fear of angering Big Chervil.

McCrane

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“McCRANE BUILD!” it droned in an earsplitting roboitic baritone that shattered glass bonges all over Arcata as it added stories to a Craftsman Mall residence hall at a furious clip. “MORE. TALLER. ALL UPSTAIRRRRRRRRS!”

A recursive analysis of McCrane’s machine learning history revealed that the crazed machine had misread “two 6- and 7-story buildings” as “267-story buildings,” and set off on its construction quest. Some 17 skyscrapers have been completed in three days, offering roughly 907,800 new student beds to partially accommodate Cal Poly’s burgeoning enrollment.

Goop’s On

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Nelson Squidfork, a camper along the Mad River, was nonplussed by the assortment of cosmetics just dumped in his tent vestibule. “What I really need is a new pair of socks,” he said. “Although this eye shadow is rather fetching, I must admit.” He said he felt sorry for the skinny delivery lady and gave her some of his food.

A squad of makeup artists will school aid recipients on proper application of the products, hence the name, Goop’s On.

The effort has gained the notice of industry, with manufacturers of cufflinks, ice sculpture and backhoe attachments promising to make contributions.

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# Area skunk tired of being told he smells like weed

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MCKINLEYVILLE, APRIL 1 – McKinleyville skunk-American Orville Stankbutt announced last week that he is tired of constantly having his signature odor compared to that of cannabis.

“Y’know, it was funny maybe the first few times” said Stankbutt, “but hearing the same stupid joke 20, 30 or a hundred times... it gets old real quick.”

Stankbutt’s statement came after overhearing a couple of stoners chatting and puffing on a bench along the Hammond Trail, near Stankbutt’s burrow.

“Bruh, is there a skunk around here? *Huh-huh-huh!*” said Stankbutt, mocking the troubled teens. “*Jeezus!* Come up with something original, for the love of mice, moles, voles, rats, birds and eggs, carcasses, grasshoppers, wasps, bees, crickets, beetles, beetle larvae, fruits, nuts, garden crops, garbage, birdseed and pet food (which, to be clear, I do love)!”

Stankbutt noted that skunks have been around in their present form for millions of years.

“I mean, we *own* that smell! That’s been our signature for millennia and we’re proud of it!” he complained. “It’s like Big Cannabis is trying to cut in on our stinky act!”

Following the interview, Stankbutt waddled back to his burrow where he said he planned to smoke a bowl and watch *Family Guy*.

## Committees

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Planetary Wisdom areas of responsibility will include, along with international affairs, science and technology.

The city has formed several more citizen committees and it seeking members. These include:

- **Traffic Embafflement Committee.** This group is charged with making random changes regarding Arcata streets designed to keep drivers on their toes.
- Recommendations may include adding or removing lanes, making streets one-way, changing their direction, closing them at certain times of the day or week, or making them car-free, bike-free, pedestrian-free, pavement-free or chervil-free. The committee meets twice a year and is expected to reverse any changes once drivers get used to them.
- **Anarchy Advisory Committee.** This committee promotes anarchy within Arcata by being unorganized, never meeting, not working together and never getting anything done. No time commitment required.
- **Committee on Committees** This committee advises the City Council on the formation of additional, unnecessary committees.
- **Rochambeau Committee.** This two-person committee provides decision-making assistance to individual councilmembers on an as-needed basis.

When unable to decide on an important issue, a councilmember may consult the committee who will then conduct a best-two-out-of-three round of rock/paper/scissors to advise on a recommended yes/no course of action.

All meetings are conducted in private. Ability to keep a secret a plus. This committee supersedes the Coin Toss Committee.

# Dialysis center, nearby soda pop plant do hookup

Borvlops Ginchnubble  
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MCKINLEYVILLE, April 1, 2024 – A networking mixer put on by the McKinleyville Chamber of Commerce succeeded spectacularly, with adjacent businesses literally hooking up and exchanging bodily fluids.

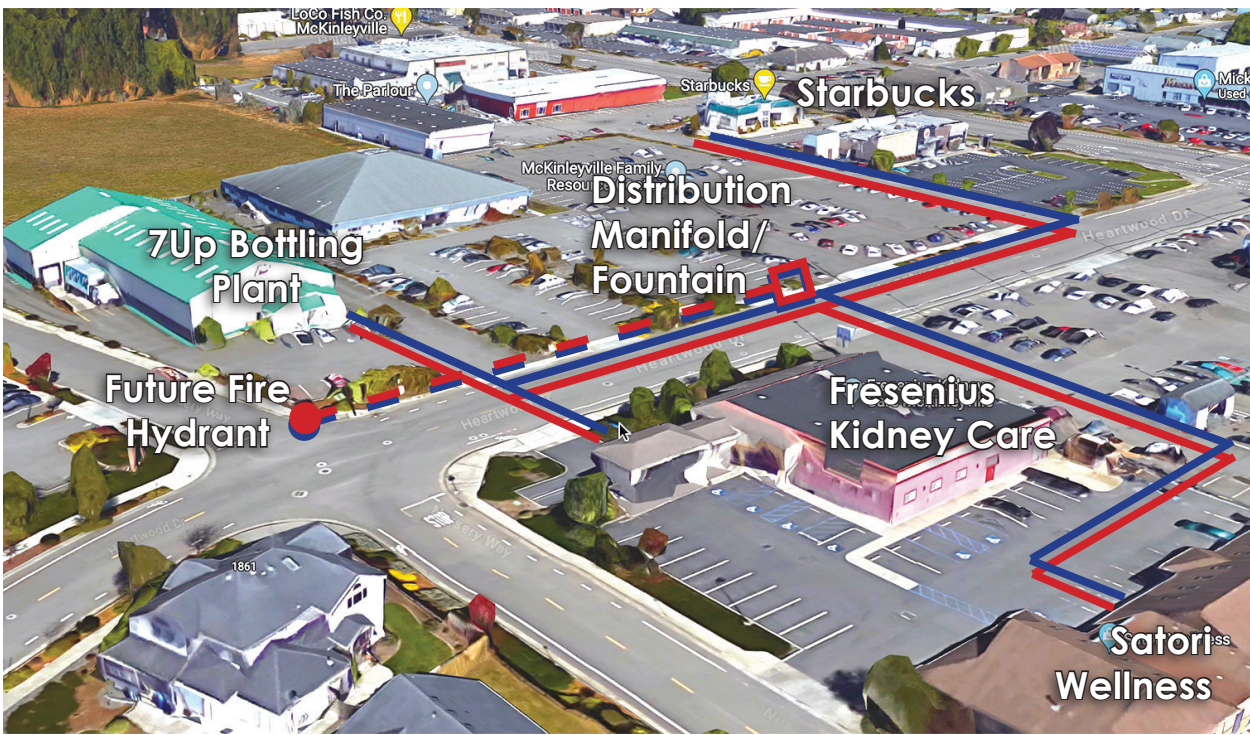
Not that *way*, sicko.

It was a moment that will be enshrined in McKinleyville history, as wine glass-toting management teams of the Fresenius Dialysis Center and the nearby 7Up bottling plant got to talking and forged a new and growing alliance.

On “getting to know the neighbors,” administrators at both facilities realized that they both pump hella fluids, all of which end up inside a person.

While initial discussions centered on mutual support and redundancy, it soon became obvious that more was possible.

A test run of some contractor-grade AB- through the 7Up



**PASS THE PIPES** A network of underground veins and arteries will transport corpuscles and their tangy amendments between participating businesses. A central manifold on Heartwood Drive will direct the precious bodily fluids hither and yon, allowing future connection to a fire hydrant on Nursery Way Left, the blood pipeline's master manifold/drinking fountain, from which the red stuff may be directed to the various businesses, and where fluoride and chervil supplements are added.

IMAGE COURTESY MCSD; LEFT, KLH | BUNION



plant’s labrynthine plumbing system returned a curiously refreshing blood blend with an exhilarating lemon-lime flavor profile just right for summer!

“Not that you’d drink it,” said a spokesman for the new alliance. “You don’t need to. A quick infusion of our blend will leave you with a tart ‘n’ tangy taste in your mouth and your outlook spattered with sweetness. It’s bloody awesome!”

On hearing of the new alliance’s success, other area businesses soon stepped up. Satori Wellness next door to the dialysis center was first on board, tying in to the

“blood lines” emanating from the clinic.

That made possible infusions of THC-laden hash oil into the mix. “Sure the 7Up cools you off, but to really chill, try the Satori blend,” said the spokesman. A truly innovative feature is the co-infusion of Visine into the mix, staving off red-eye even before the THC takes hold.

Next up was Starbucks, offering high-kick caffeinated strains to be added to the mix. A special logo has been devised showing the famous green mermaid swimming about in a sea of red.

Now the public sector is poised

to tap into the juicy vein of gory goodness coursing through subterranean Macktown. Another organization adept at pumping fluids – the Arcata Fire District (AFD) – sees a lot of potential in the new bloodworks.

“We could tap in at the manifold, run a line out to Nursery Way and put a new hydrant there,” said Theobald Scobbleblocher, AFD’s director of satirical initiatives. “That blood could save lives in more ways than one. And, when it gets hot this summer, the kids from Chantarelle Drive can come over and we’ll open ‘er up so they can splash around.”



## Blood Bank signs up celebrity donors to offer exciting new signature strains

Skeezix Bleevnorb  
FATTY LIVER BUNION  
HUMBOLDT, April 1, 2024 – Hoping to capitalize on the new flavored blood craze, the Northern California Community Blood Bank has enlisted the star power of some of its prominent donors to glamorize donating and build awareness of the bank’s needs.

Leveraging existing assets, the always-bloodthirsty organization leapt at the fresh marketing opportunity, and entered the corpuscular kick-it-up-a-notch frays with four tasty new entries.

Spearheading the boutique bloodlines are familiar faces and regional celebs most everyone would be happy to draw a fresh infusion of

organic, GMO-free life force from.

The NCCBB hopes you’ll belly up to the blood bar with tasty new types:

- Cap’n Matt’s Old Tyme Crablicious Chowder, courtesy diligent donor Matt Filar.
- Queen Monica’s Corpuscular Cherry Cobbler Topping, by creative force Monica Topping.
- Papa Gene’s Blue Platelet Special, another community service by selfless Snoopy Whisperer Gene Joyce.
- Tofü Mike’s Toffüiti Serum Swirl, by celestial soundman Michael Simon Schwartz (tofü).

“Now you too can refresh your tissues with the very nourishing, super-tasty hemoglobin that fuels these high-functioning examplars of humanity at its finest!” said Gazwag Spladarfin, NCCBB vice president of conceptual preposteration.

He said the HCCBB said it has been searching for new contenders in the ever-enlarging pool of blood donors for the semi-culinary new initiative.

So how is that effort going?

“Oh, positive,” Spladarfin said. “Everyone has the red stuff, but if you have the *right* stuff, let’s take the next transfusion to flavortown!”

**HIGHWAY TO HEAVEN** The City of Arcata cautions motorists driving along Eighth and Ninth streets to proceed with cautious optimism while crews continue paving the road ahead with hopes and dreams, landscaped with thoughts and prayers. The project is made possible by positive vibes and sent energy, with area residents encouraged to be the reality they want to see.

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## Kitschy owl candle enters sixth decade of yard sales

**Glamvibble Chentnobber**  
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NOHUM, APRIL 1 – A very orange, very '70s “pop art” candle in the shape of an owl saw its 17th change of ownership as a rummage item, a piece of clutter and a discard, this time at a weekend yard sale in a Sunny Brae driveway.

Unknown to all but the wise old owl as it departed the company of a frayed set of Tarot cards and a tattered dreamcatcher, the \$5 transaction commemorated the candle's 50th year of Humboldt service as an impulse buy.



**PROUD POSSESSION** The candle's swingin' '70s Bayside residency left it with many colorful tales to tell, which it can't because it's just an insensate hunk of wax. STOLEN PHOTO, THANKS MAGGIE

The candle's untold-storied career got its start in 1974 at The Camel, a small curio shop on the Arcata Plaza.

For two-plus years it occupied a spot on a local high school student's bedroom shelf, then spent a few more in a cardboard box when she went off to college.

Its first yard sale came in 1979, when a bell-bottomed Bayside eco-hipster forked over 50 cents and a sprig of chervil for the kitschy wax nugget.

It sat on the mantle of her roommate-filled house for just a few months, before being filched by that one guy with the creepy laugh when he, thankfully, moved out.

Stolen from his van at the Marsh, the candle was left on the Plaza and scooped up by a Food Not Bombs server who soon lost interest in it.

More temporarily satisfied own-

ers were to follow, and thus ensued the Years of Darkness, as the pudgy but pert candle journeyed around Northern Humboldt's residential communities, bouncing from bedroom to garage to storage unit to yard sale, with a few last-minute saves from garbage cans.

Its most memorable moment of glory was serving as a piece of set dressing in a McKinleyville High School theatrical adaptation of *Some Like It Hot*.

There have been moments best forgotten as well. One when a tripping party guest tried to stare down the waxen raptor but failed when it morphed into a terrifying zombie hell-bird whose relentless laser gaze bored holes into his soul.

Thrown out the window, the tangerine-tinted taper tumbled into a drainage ditch where it languished over a long, cold winter until being discovered by some teenage boys out vandalizing the neighborhood one night.

One besmitten lad gifted the cutesy candleoid to a girl he had the hots for. But when their two-week romance blew up, she dumped it at the Salvation Army.

Another nadir was being traded for a urine-scented Cabbage Patch doll by one owner, then being used to squash a spider by another.

During the '80s Satanic Panic, a concerned mom under the sway of Jim and Tammy Bakker ordered her daughter to purge the “winged demon” from her bedroom, along with her “wild” Air Supply albums.

It enjoyed a succession of nicknames by some of its 17 owners, ranging from Perchy to Miss Owly to Hootie the Hottie to That Creepy-Ass Orange Thing.

The owl's retail price has proven volatile over the years, but has inexorably climbed from 50 cents in the '70s to the staggering 1,000 percent hike to \$5 last week.

Inexplicably, the owl's price fluctuations remain untracked as an economic indicator by the U.S. Commerce Dept.

Miraculously, the googly-eyed owl has never been lit, with its virginal white wick unsinged to this day and just a few scuffs and dents barely compromising the stoic bird's orange majesty.

History seems to be coming full circle, as the new owner plans to mount the shapely little owl on an avocado-paisley tiled stash box in front of a Captain & Tennille poster as part of a '70s-themed hobby room.



**PRODUCT PLACEMENT** Humboldt's new Mobile Nutrition Team prepares to deploy at the Farmers Market, educating the public on the basics of proper meal planning. Above, Shoshanna, AJ Gonzales, Gregg Foster, Romi Hitchcock and Ian Schatz. Sponsored by local supermarkets and restaurants, team members advocate for the Five Basic Humboldt Food Groups: Chervil, Pizza, Ice Cream, Cheese and Wine. The ensemble projects their message in skits, songs and interpretive dance while each individual foodie groupie gets a moment in the spotlight. Every other week, the team champions an alternative Essential Food Group including Burritos, Beer, Hummus, Bagels and Komboucha.

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## Amy's Asshats™ a huge haberdashery hit

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ARCATA, APRIL 1 – If you thought cronuts were huge, wait until you try on your first asshat.

The explosively popular style accessory has become 2024's sudden fashion fad, a business boon and a culture quake that has haberdashers world wide scrambling for their piece of asshat.

The transformative innovation came about, as so many do, by a fluke.

Amy Fowler, owner of Humboldt Haberdashery, was reading an online forum one day, and in a stark departure from the usual calm, reasoned tenor of Internet commentary, an angry keyboard warrior blurted out, “Arcata is full of asshats!” “We’ve all heard that before, and sometimes it’s hard to disagree,” Fowler said. “But this time it hit different, because in that same thread, the same guy said someone was ‘CYA,’” she recalled.

Sitting in her hat-riddled haberdashery laboratory, the industrious milliner had been gazing at her trove of supplies and wondering what her next project was when the two thoughts collided in her head.

“Yes!” she exclaimed, alerting excitable little shop doggie Lambchop that something new and wonderful was afoot. “What better way to cover your backside than... an *asshat*!”

Fowler got to work, fashioning a series of prototype posteriorwear samples. After signing a liability release form, customers were allowed to try on the experimental head... er, *butt*gear, and the response to Amy's Asshats™ was beyond enthusiastic.

“They loved them!” Fowler said. “People were ordering them faster than I could build ‘em.”

The first batch flew out the door, and soon the jaunty pant bumpers were seen adorning the stern-ends of early adopters all over town.

Between word-of-mouth and online buzz, demand snowballed, with customers lined up outside the H Street Haberdashery every morning in hopes of scoring one of the prized rear-end ornaments.

“I was getting calls from Kohl's,” Fowler said. “They wanted to know where they could buy these new asshats in bulk. By weight, actually – it turns out they order inventory literally by the ton.”

Given the demand, Arcata Police are tracking a growing black market in asshats, and cheap knockoffs made of rodent fur are also turning up on Temu.

But genuine Amy's Asshats™ are said to be accepted as currency in some local stores, and there are rumors of hoarding.

Customers extol the asshats as more than just a fashion flourish, but more of a little round friend “who has your backside,” as one user put it.

Some have apparently named their asshats, even adopting affectionate nicknames.

“I love mine,” said Mort Malort,



**BEHIND THE CURVE** Flora and Dora Fedora (no relation), two satisfied Humboldt Haberdashery asshat customers, with proprietor Amy Fowler and store mascot Lambchop, center. KLH | BUNION

an overly satisfied customer. “It really put the coddle in my waddle!” he said, laughing at his own joke and repeating it several times to other haberdashery patrons, who edged slowly away from him.

Once he settled down, Malort said the asshat deters unwanted glances, insulates sensitive areas from severe weather and muffles unhelpful noises while sealing in any unpleasant vapors.

“It’s like my personal midsection attendant,” Malort quipped with an outburst of disconcertingly loud, spittle-laden guffaws.

After escorting the wearisome enthusiast to the door and locking it behind her, Fowler conducted a brief master class in Asshat 101. Because there are questions.

To the uninitiated, such an appliance seems impractical. For one thing, how do you sit down?

Not a problem with Asshat 2.0, Fowler explains. The new models offer more features, such as an optional heated cushion insert, Velcro fasteners and detachable tail-light, plus a chervil sachet.

“You can sit with or without your asshat affixed,” Fowler explained, highlighting the accessory's versatility. “For example, you can wear it to a Crabs game and the seat of your pants will never touch those clammy bleachers. Or you can doff your asshat and leave it with the hat check girl at any restaurant, just like a traditional hat. Then when you leave, you'll have your asshat handed to you.”

As impressive as the current crop of Amy's Asshats™ may be, upcoming models boast features only a visionary entrepreneur could imagine, at least while deal-

ing with zombie-like throngs of asshat superfans pounding on the windows.

Having scored lucrative Kohl's and Costco supply contracts, Fowler is plowing hatloads of funds into R&D, pushing back the horizons of asshat potential.

As a result, Asshat 3.0 is said to include rearview video cam and LIDAR, Wi-Fi and Bluetooth plus a backup beeper, smoke alarm and HEPA filters.

For those concerned about radio energy and/or government mind control signals from the array of electronics (this is Arcata, after all), Fowler is developing a new bottom-topper lined with the most advanced totalitarianism-blocking tinfoil available.

As for Asshat 4.0, set to debut in early 2025, one guess as to what it will have on board.

That's right: AI.

“We call it the SmartAss™,” Fowler said. The highly advanced new unit will also include a pencil sharpener, guitar tuner, radar detector and for some reason, a billiard ball polisher.

Until that comes out, swing by the Humboldt Haberdashery, 959 H St. in Arcata, and behold the current state-of-the-art asshats in a range of contemporary, retro and exotic styles:

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Public meeting windbags fuel family fun with new Bingo game

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ARCATA CITY HALL,  
APRIL 1 – In an effort to help viewers at home who’ve become glazed into unconsciousness by public speakers reciting familiar talking points at every meeting, the city has issued a new Bingo game.

City officials hope the “Public Comment Bingo” game will restore interest in public process for those bored numb by the droning repetition of the “frequent flyers” during Oral Communications.

“We really think this new game will liven things up for folks at the meetings and watching at home,” said Geetrik Gruntworthy, Arcata’s special projects director. “Basically we’re trying to hack the recent domination of public meetings by sufferers of Main Character Syndrome, and turn that into a positive for the people.”

An initial run of 2,000 “Public Comment Bingo” cards are available at City Hall and are being printed on the back of city water bills.

“As to the prizes, that’s the DIY part,” Gruntworthy said. “You can enjoy a tasty peanut butter cup, a Vienna sausage (maybe two!), a Ho-Ho,



**VOX POPULOID** Speakers full of wisdom and more lined up at the public podium to participate in the public comment period at last week’s City Council meeting.

TERRY TORGERSON DOODLE

take a hit of chervil or knock back a shot of Komboucha. It makes a *great* drinking game, and as for Strip Bingo, well, we at City Hall don’t need or want to know.”

Gruntworthy said that in the long run, public meetings will seem less like public therapy and more like

fun, and that we may again see more participation by those who aren’t professional meeting-goers.

“We’ve all sat through hours of halitosis emanating from the talkative few,” Gruntworthy said. “These gasbags owe us some wholesome Bingo fun at the very least.”



**SNORE-WAR ON WOKE** Attempting to counter accusations that they’re too “woke,” the sensibly spectral Arcata City Council and staff have scheduled frequent 10-minute naps throughout their meetings. Members of the public are provided free pillows during the agenda-designated dozing periods.

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**WOMP WOMP** Right, the council has also established its new “Sad Trombone Award” to the most self-pitying speaker of the night. An actual trombonist has been hired to provide musical punctuation to especially dour narratives.



❖ TRY THIS AT HOME

You’ll go from shouting, ‘Shut it, you crashing bore’ to ‘Bingo! Gimme more!’

- A user’s guide to Public Comment Bingo**
- 1. Establish Victimhood:** A mandatory first step in any address by aspiring Main Characters. *Note:* no instance can be too trivial. “*I’ve been wronged by the [insert oppressor here].*”
  - 2. Fear My Phantom Legions:** “*A lot of people who aren’t here agree with me that...*”
  - 3. Bulk Up As the Spokesman for an Impressive-Sounding Imaginary Organization:** “*We at the Humboldt Taxpayers League believe...*”
  - 4. Imminent Doom Awaits:** “*There’s going to be [an accident/crisis/societal collapse/meteor impact] unless you....*”
  - 5. Trifecta Effort:** Repeat main point of your talk three times (minimum) using slightly different words to make sure everyone *really* gets it.
  - 6. Useless Personal Info:** “*When I was in the Air Force 36 years ago.../“I just had a grand niece.../“My car is 15 years old.../“My podiatrist’s sister’s hairdresser says...*”
  - 7. Faux Legalese:** Offer a halting, awkward recitation of your issue as you stumble through a needlessly polysyllabic attempt at attorneyspeak, trying to sound like the lawyers you’ve seen on TV.
  - 8. Meaningless Rhetoric:** Referring to yourself as “We The People” and spouting un-serious but rabble-raising slogans to excite the cheap seats: “*It’s time to take back the Plaza!*” “*Run the bums out of town!*” and so on.
  - 9. Time Limit Obliviousness:** Launch into what’s obviously an 8-minute harangue, then act surprised and indignant when, in mid-whinge, your three minutes are up. “*Huhwhut? I gotta stop now?!?*”  
• *Related:* **Hubristic Huffiness:** Demanding more than three minutes to speak because your message is *so gosh-darn special*.
  - 10. Establish Moral Superiority:** Kindness, humility and generosity good, evil bad (who knew?). “*I’m against crime!*”  
• *Related:* Stating the overwhelmingly obvious; advising the governing body to do things they’re already doing.
  - 11. Distracted Message:** Commenting on the regressive nature of sales tax increments while translating 11th century West Germanic poetry into the whistling language of Sylbo and carving an ice sculpture of early Skid Row drummer John Ratkowski, Jr.

Public Comment

Bingo!

1 I'm the Victim!	2 Phantom Army	3 Fake Credentials	4 Impending Disaster	5 Repetitive Rehash
6 TMI	7 Lawyer-like Noises	8 Populist Blah-Blah	9 To Know No Boundaries	10 On the Side of the Angels
11 Distracted Message	12 Welcome to my Verbal Tic	13 Free	14 Our Eyes Are Up Here	15 Do You're Resurch!
16 Vociferous Vacuity	17 Who Am I?	18 Baked and Bumblng	19 Naif's Night Out	20 We'll Do It My Way
21 Yes You Can! Try Harder	22 Sing Sing Sing	23 Negligent Disrespect	24 Constitutional Crisis	25 Disease Dodge

- with your feet while wearing scuba fins.
- 12. Annoying Verbal Tic:** Saying “anyways” at least three times per minute.
  - 13. Swiveling Soapbox:** Addressing the audience rather than the council.
  - 14. Kooky Credentialing:** Citing the highly credible and authoritative YouTube, Facebook and various dingbat websites rife with default fonts to corroborate the incomprehensible conspiracy babble emanating from your crayon-muncher.
  - 15. An Opinion on Everything:** Speaking on every single agenda item, and yet saying

- next to nothing.
- 16. Namelessness:** Not identifying yourself during a pronoun-packed, self-referential address littered with “*I think...*” and “*I urge you to...*” when no one knows who “I” is.
  - 17. Onward Stoner Soldier:** Getting through the term “mitigated negative declaration” without breaking your mouth even as the edibles are kicking in.
  - 18. Naif’s Night Out aka “What’s This All About Anyways?”:** Not reading the advance news stories or any staff reports on the subject, then asking for real-time expla-

- nations of complicated issues from council and professional staff on the spot as citizens there on other business wait into the week-night for their issue to come up while this person is spoon-fed public information.
- *Related:* “*I don’t know much about this, but...*” as a preface to an folklore-based harangue offering the meeting’s decisionmakers nothing of any factual substance to act on.
- 19. Process Schmocess:** Expecting the council to engage in interactive dialogue during Oral Communication, signifying zero comprehension of the ground rules *that were just stated by the meeting chair*.
  - 20. Please, Try Harder:** Beginning an address with, “*I can no longer be silent...*”
  - 21. Tuneless Torment:** Cringe-inducingly *singing* your opinion to the council as other meeting attendees offer the mandatory pained smile and privately pray for death’s sweet release while viewers at home sustain minor injuries diving for the remote and its precious Mute button.  
• *Related:* Augmenting your comments with dolls, toys and other audiovisual aids; wag-gling distracting signs in the background to step on others’ testimony.
  - 22. Immediate Disqualification:** Carelessly mispronouncing an ethnic surname like a typical stoopid ‘Murican.
  - 23. Freedom Fighter:** Cry “*First Amend-mennnnnnnnnttt!*” to justify any egregious behavior you care to commit.
  - 24. Affliction Deflection:** You obviously didn’t get your way *not* because your shouty demand was so dumb, but *clearly* because you’re being discriminated against for your ADD, ADHD, COPD, DSB, OCD, PTSD, TMJ or UTI, and a disability discrimination lawsuit is imminent.  
**Wild cards**  
*Use these “Honorable Mention” blurts in place of any of the numbered items!*
    - Claiming real-time knowledge of others’ neural functions: “*You’re not listening!*” *Related:*
      - Claims of clairvoyance: “*You think that...*”
      - Waving a bunch of herbs around to emphasize your points by way of chervil-signaling.
      - Proclaiming your staunch support for the proposal at hand, then condemning it as ill-conceived, poorly implemented, overly expensive, probably fattening and damning evidence of corrupt incompetence.
      - Use of the word “glistening” in any context.

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**RAVAGED RIBBONS**  
The Arcata Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon-cutting last week to celebrate a ribbon-cutting event out at the new Humboldt Chervil Works. “A lot of planning went into that ribbon cutting,” said Chamber Director Matthew Meredith. “Kudos to ribbon ruiners everywhere.” As for the subsequent Chervil Works ribbon cutting, no details were available.  
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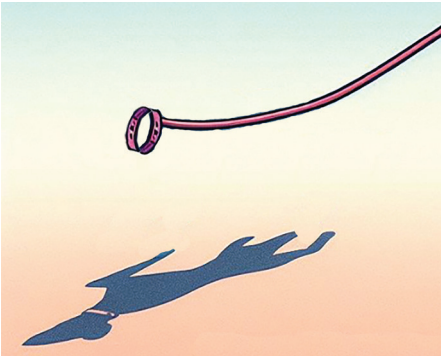
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Loya-list | Applesauce scandal the next crisis

**FROM A1**

“The EIR changed everything,” Wise said. “The whole seismic-doom liquefaction scenario we harped about for so long? Total BS, turns out, just like the imaginary wastewater capacity catastrophe. The

studies don't support any remotely comparable threat scenario. *Oopsie!*”

A joint Arcata/Cal Poly/AFD study is addressing future firefighting needs and funding options – still another once-popular fear factor that flamed out.

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“Yeah, all that fuss we made at meetings, in letters to the editor and on our websites was all alarmist gibberish,” Wise admitted with a rueful laugh. “Surely you’ve read this in the many mea culpa letters of apology sent out by everyone who was so freely trading in these unfounded fears. We have amends to make for all that unhelpful verbal violence.”

“We thought about trying to discredit the EIR, but that would have been transparently cynical and more evidence of our elevating a sacrosanct tribal dogma over factual information, which is classic cult behavior.”

The one-time opponents of housing-focused urban planning are finding unsettling similarities with how Westwood-area residents were played by a developer’s eager skills, using a mixture

of misinformation and demagoguery, into opposing a housing development half the size of what they’re now getting.

Perhaps most embarrassing, in retrospect, was the personal effrontery the anti-GAPers indulged in, belittling the competence and intentions of city staff members, not to mention planning commissioners and city councilmembers.

Chagrined and remorseful, the reformed contrarians have abandoned their previous mission of housing prevention and now hope to reboot with a new goal and a new name.

“We were about to call ourselves Fear, Inc., but now we’re epic Loya fans,” Wise revealed. “You could even say were Loya-lists!”

To reflect their new status, that happens to be the name of the new website: *The Loya List*. A recent meeting of Loya-Listsers at the Creamery ended with enthusiasts carrying the previously reviled community development director around the block on their shoulders while singing and adaptation of “For He’s A Jolly Good, Highly Competent and Well-Intentioned Fellow.”

Without the GAP to focus on, Wise has trained his scrutiny on the new lunch plan at the Tots ’N’ Toddlers preschool located adjacent to the Gateway Area.

A change from fruit cocktail to applesauce on Tuesdays has, to hear Wise tell it, revealed



**DENSITY PROPENSITY** With passage of the Gateway Area Plan imminent, developers are already offering housing designs. Above, Enchantment Village, billed as “your personal refuge from privacy,” with its quaint center courtyard. IMAGE COURTESY MEGALOMANIA DEVELOPMENTS, LLC



❖ FOR THE CHERVIL-INTOLERANT

Grasshopper Pie

If you grew up in the 1970s, chances are you were introduced to the fun of grasshopper pie! Minty cream pie in a chocolate cookie crust topped with whipped cream, *yum!*

Since my dad was born during the Depression to a widow with three other kids, he always learned to find food, and this is the secret to the Lindquist version of grasshopper pie – add protein!

Yes, send the kids on a treasure hunt to gather grasshoppers. This is especially easy if your land is experiencing a locust swarm.

Grasshopper, locust – *it’s all the same*.

Net those bad boys, put them in a tightly closed cardboard box, let each of the kids shake it for at least a minute, and put those knocked-out grasshoppers in a hot oven for 15 minutes to dry out.

Pop them in a food processor and add grasshopper meal to your pie, no one will be the wiser!



**Grasshopper Pie**  
(Serves 6-8)

*Note: The cashews need to be soaked in advance and the filling will need to be refrigerated at least 4 hours to firm up, so plan accordingly.*

- 1 prepared oreo cookie crust
- 1 can coconut milk, at room temperature
- ½ cup cashews, soaked in water for 4-8 hours
- ½ cup grasshopper meal
- 10-15 baby spinach leaves
- ½ cup almond milk
- ¼ cup creme de menthe (optional)
- ½ teaspoons agar powder
- ¾ cup sugar
- ¼ cup coconut oil
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoons peppermint extract

Soak cashews in water to cover by 2 inches at least 4 hours in advance or overnight. Drain cashews and combine with coconut milk and grasshopper meal in a food processor and add spinach leaves. Pulse to blend well.

In a small saucepan, combine almond milk and agar powder and stir to blend well. Bring to a boil over high heat and cook on high heat for 30 seconds. Reduce heat so that only small bubbles appear and cook for another 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Remove from heat and add sugar, coconut oil and both extracts. Whisk to blend well. Returning to the cashew mixture in the food processor, with the motor on, pour hot mixture into the food processor and process until fully blended. Pour filling into the cooled shell and refrigerate for at least four hours.

Coconut flavor will dissipate the longer you refrigerate, but is not pronounced.

Serve with whipped cream.

*Hugs!*



**ROOMS WITH VIEWS** In an act of kind benevolence to residents who’ve lost their views of the outdoors, Westwood Garden Apartments managers have gone above and beyond the Conditions of Approval required for doubling the density of the complex. Having taken delivery of a consignment of used motel TVs from the old Ramada Inn, the vintage screens have been mounted on opposing walls, giving the renters across the way breathtaking views of outdoor scenes and other programming.

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the preschool’s main office as a hive of scum and villainy.

“Looking into their plan, we find this interesting change buried in the Tuesday menu,” he said, brandishing a sheaf of papers and a makeshift sign with an arrow pointing to his face.

“There’s no bigger apple enthusiast than me,” he reassured. “But we went from the rich variety of fruit cocktail to pulverized apple mush. Look, we either believe in diversity

or we don’t. They call it apple ‘sauce,’ but tell me: what dish is this so called ‘sauce’ poured on? It’s a sham!”

Wise further decried the “basic dishonesty” of the menu, something he’d made clear to the school’s management via dozens of visits and phone calls to the small staff.

“You’re going to have applesauce-engorged children filling six-story buildings in every part of town!” Wise railed. “Is that what you want?”

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## Manila trying to take out encampments

**Jack Durham**

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MANILA – The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office and county social services are making progress in their efforts to remove homeless encampments from the Manila dunes.

Back in January, the Manila Community Services District identified 10 camps on property it owns on the west side of the peninsula and its board voted in favor of asking the Sheriff's Office and Department of Health and Human Services to help remove the camps.

As of last week, there were four occupied camps containing eight people. There were seven abandoned camps.

District Manager Chris Drop said at the March 19 board meeting that fur-

ther progress is expected when the weather improves. The district plans to hire a contractor to remove all the trash and debris from the camps.

In January, Sheriff's Capt. Bryan Quenell told the board that the homeless people are asked to vacate the property and are offered services. Typically, people voluntarily agree to leave, he told the board.

The effort to clean up the area has been ongoing for years, but was stepped up in January after a homeless man was killed in a camp.

Manila resident Pete William Dibeau, 56, lived in an established tin shack in the dune forest on the south end of town. He was killed after being shot late

MANILA ♦ PAGE B5



**McKINLEYVILLE MEMBERS CHOICE AWARDS**  
**CHOICES** The McKinleyville Chamber honored its most distinguished members in the Sapphire Palace at the Blue Lake Casino in Blue Lake last Friday night. Award winners included, clockwise from upper left, Two Feathers Native American Family Services, Nonprofit Business of the Year; Redwood Community Pharmacy (with Meg Altmanand and Jesse Miles), Outstanding Customer Service; Carol Clymo, Ambassador of the Year; Chad Villados, Lube Central, Small Business of the Year; Scott and Kristina Binder, Azalea Award. PHOTOS BY MATT FILAR | UNION

## Serna is first to announce for Arcata council Three of five council seats open

**Kevin L. Hoover**

MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – In a break between cloudbursts, the first known candidate for Arcata City Council in this November's election made her announcement at City Hall last Saturday.

Genevieve Serna, a 10-year Arcatan, county employee and former Transportation Safety Committee (TSC) member, said she's running for "a million reasons," beginning with her love of the city and advocacy for improved transportation.

After graduating Humboldt State, she came to realize that transport was just one part of a larger set of policies required to preserve Arcata's livability. Her campaign brochure lists primary emphasis on housing solutions, transportation safety and building the partnership with Cal Poly Humboldt (*more, page B7*).

Serna plans to campaign throughout the summer, and will be present at many public events for discussion and listening.

Any official candidacy is months away. The first day council aspirants can take out papers from the City Clerk's office is July 15. These must be returned with 20 signatures from registered Arcata voters by Aug. 9. The election is Nov. 5.

Three of five council seats will be available – those presently held by Vice Mayor Alex Stillman, Councilmember Stacey-Atkins-Salazar and Councilmember Sarah Schaefer.



**Genevieve Serna announces her candidacy at Arcata City Hall!**  
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## Arcata gets grant to help cover unpaid water bills

**CITY OF ARCATA**

ARCATA – The City of Arcata is receiving significant funding from the State to assist customers with debt from unpaid water or wastewater bills.

On July 10, 2023, Governor Newsom signed a bill creating the Extended Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program. The City of Arcata was notified it will receive \$325,000 from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Program.

The funds are expected to benefit 700 Arcata cus-

tomers with debt related to unpaid water and wastewater bills from June 16, 2021, to Dec. 31, 2022.

The State Water Board created the California Water and Wastewater Arrearages Payment Program to provide relief to community water and wastewater systems for unpaid bills caused by the pandemic.

The \$600 million statewide expansion of the Program extends COVID relief to residential and commercial customers beyond

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## Need for landlines debated at hearings

**Daniel Mintz**

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – AT&T wants to focus exclusively on wired and wireless broadband systems but users of copper wire landlines say they'll be left in the lurch in emergencies when state-of-the-art technology doesn't work.

The California Public Utilities Commission

(CPUC) will soon make a decision on AT&T's bid to scrap a requirement to provide landline services.

Known as a Carrier of Last Resort, AT&T says its wants to drop a low demand service and expand availability of cellular and Voice Over Internet systems.

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OBITUARY

Evelyn ‘Evie’ Fuller, 1927–2024

Evelyn “Evie” Irene Fuller was born Nov. 19, 1927, in Tulsa, Oklahoma to Clarence and Edith Borders.

She was the oldest of four and their only girl. At the age of five, she accompanied her father to the family farm in the Ozark Mountains of Missouri to make the property livable for the family.

She grew up on this farm with her brothers and her mother who cooked fresh foods grown on the farm. After spending most of her early life in Missouri the family moved to Vancouver, Washington during World War II so Clarence could work at the Kaiser Shipyard building ships for the war effort.

She graduated high school in Vancouver, Washington where she started working at the shipyards and then the telephone company. During this time, she met her husband Richard “Dick” Fuller at a dance hall when he returned from



World War II.

They were married in a small ceremony on July 3, 1946. Together they lived up and down the West Coast and Hawaii as Dick worked and ran several businesses. They had three boys: Sam, Rick and David.

In the late-1960s Evie started college and eventually earned her teaching credential as well as a master's degree in education from Cal Poly Pomona. She taught many ages, but her favorite class was the 6th graders. She made them feel like adults and was always proud of her connection with kids and how fondly she was remembered by many former students.

After retiring from

teaching, she continued to be a lifelong learner and educator, always looking for opportunities to learn new skills, crafts, and information, and share them with her grandchildren.

In 1988 Evie and Dick purchased a property in McKinleyville overlooking Clam Beach and the Pacific Ocean. She loved being able to see the sunset and smell the salty air from her front porch.

They split their time between the house in McKinleyville during the summers and a place in Desert Hot Springs during the winters before they moved full time to McKinleyville.

After Dick's passing in 2003, Evie started volunteering at the McKinleyville Senior Center, where she continued to work until she was 93. She also took advantage of OLLI through Cal Poly Humboldt, taking

many history, art, and nature classes.

She loved walking and always signed up for the fundraising walks, often winning awards as she was one of the only participants in her age group. She was a loving grandmother and great-grandmother, a supporter of local theater, a crime show and court TV fan, an artist, a story teller, a caregiver, and an accomplished home cook.

She was fiercely independent and told jokes right up to the end. She passed away on March 11, 2024. She will be missed by her family, but her long life will live on in the memories we have. The family would like to thank Timber Ridge McKinleyville and Hospice of Humboldt for their compassion and support during this last year.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brothers, her husband, and her son Sam. She is survived by her son Rick (Glenda) of Upland, California, her son David (Karen) of Eureka, her seven grandchildren, and her nine great-grandchildren.

A memorial will be planned for a later date. In lieu of flowers please donate to the McKinleyville Senior Center and Hospice of Humboldt.

MCKINLEYVILLE MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee hear an update on the McKinleyville Town Center ordinance and will receive a presentation regarding a project on Hiller Road at its meeting Wednesday, March 27.

The meeting will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at McKinleyville Middle School, 2285 Central Ave.

The meeting is held in a portable building on the east side of the campus. The meeting will also be on Zoom. Meeting ID is 844 4994 7337. The passcode is 043757. Humboldt County Planning Director John Ford will give an update on the Town Center Ordinance.

McKMAC member Maya Conrad and Humboldt County Public Works Director Tom Mattson will give a presentation on what's described on the agenda as a “Quickbuild Project on Hiller Rd.”

The McKMAC will also nominate one of its members to the McKinleyville Community Forest Advisory Committee. The McKMAC will hear various reports from committees.

**TSUNAMI WARNING TEST** The National Weather Service will hold a Tsunami Warning System Test on Wednesday, March 27 from 11 a.m. to noon in Humboldt, Del Norte and Mendocino counties.

If you are watching television between 11 a.m. and noon on the day of the test, expect to see a crawler at the bottom of the screen indicating that a tsunami warning has been issued, and hear a voice indicating that it is only a test.

If you don't hear the TV audio, please remember that this is only a test. If you are listening to the radio, you will hear alerting tones followed by a voice announcing that the test is occurring.

In some areas, you may also hear the sounding of a tsunami siren, an airplane testing its public address system (possibly as late as 1 p.m.), or receive other communications tests in some local jurisdictions.

The Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) system will not be activated for this test.

**CANNABIS SYMPOSIUM** Cal Poly Humboldt's Cannabis Studies Program invites campus and community members to attend a special symposium on Cannabis and Environmental Stewardship to explore existing and potential policy options for incentivizing regenerative cannabis agriculture and best practices for licensed cannabis production beyond the structure of existing rules and regulations.

This event will take place on Friday, April 5 in the Native Forum on campus from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and 1 to 3:30 p.m. in BSS 166, a nearby lecture hall. This event is free and open to all.

The event will bring together policymakers, nonprofits, cultivators, and academics to map out the landscape of bottom-up approaches to environmental stewardship and explore opportunities to support the successful implementation of Proposition 64 while also upholding the environmental provisions.

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Wednesday, March 20	T	38.46	35.32	31.61
Thursday, March 21	00.00	38.44*	35.32	31.61
Friday, March 22	00.77	39.21	35.35	31.79
Saturday, March 23	01.07	40.28	35.70	31.97

RAIN AS MEASURED BY NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE AT WOODLEY ISLAND.  
WEATHER YEAR STARTS ON OCT. 1. \*TOTAL CORRECTED BY NWS

**The Weekly Crossword** by Margie E. Burke

**ACROSS**  
1 Much-used pencil  
5 Drive off  
9 Contemplate  
13 Polk's predecessor  
15 Lowly laborer  
16 Himalayas' home  
17 Pontificate  
18 What moms-to-be are  
20 Famed Ottawa chief  
22 To some, it's golden  
23 Beautiful, in Barcelona  
25 \_\_\_-than-life  
26 Blacken a bit  
28 Weepily sentimental  
30 Granola grain  
31 An "M" in MGM  
32 Photo finish  
36 Burger topping  
38 Good for nothing  
40 Big name in copiers  
41 Like some fans  
43 Motorist's aid  
44 It may be guided  
46 Light-footed

**DOWN**  
1 "That's enough!"  
2 Beginner  
3 Mongolia's capital, formerly  
4 Wager maker  
5 Grandstand group  
6 Curse  
7 "My bad"  
8 Former House Speaker Tip  
9 Kind of instinct  
10 With the help of

**Spot**  
Verbally abuse  
Uniform shoulder piece  
Fresh start  
Rejected  
Coeur d'Alene locale  
Tooth trouble  
Natural emollient  
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Make (one's way)  
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**Spot**  
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Brewers' needs  
Slip on

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**THEY TRAVEL FROM AFAR TO BAKE PIES!**  
Pie makers on their mission are, from left, Sister Brielle Larson from Albion, Idaho; Sister Abbie Brockbank from Vancouver, Washington; Sister Shelby Gabrielson from Heber City, Utah; Sister Rebecca Tanielu from Aua, American Samoa; and Sister Marin Brady from Buffalo, Minnesota. These young women, members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, join the Westhaven Ladies Club members who bake blackberry pies to support the Westhaven Volunteer Fire Department. Thanks to an article, a photograph and Patti Fleschner's *Trinidad Tidings* column (*Mad River Union*, March 13, 2024) 36 blackberry pies were sold on March 19. "Thanks for helping us get freezer room for more pies," Erica Ervin said. JANINE VOLKMAR | UNION

**36 PIES LATER**

**TRINIDAD LIONS PANCAKES** Trinidad Lions Pancake Breakfast and Book sale takes place on Sunday, March 31 from 8 to 11 a.m. at Trinidad School, 300 Trinity St., Trinidad. Pancake, eggs and choice of ham or sausage, or biscuits and gravy and eggs, plus beverage, Adults \$8, children \$4, books 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1.

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**Solution to Crossword:**

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**PAGES OF HISTORY** The process of sorting and marveling at a huge trove of old copies of the *Eureka Times-Standard* continues out at the Timber Heritage Association. Steve Lazar, left, and volunteers have set up a display in a back room, above, with notable editions of the newspaper sorted by theme and mounted on moveable cardboard backing. One wall features some of the voluminous cultural photojournalism of Bob Doran, below left. "It's far from done," Lazar said. The plan is to curate the exhibition with help from the community, then pivot to a larger venue, which is yet to be determined. Stop by at 930 Lycoming Ave. and pick up free copies this Saturday, March 30 and Sunday, April 7 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. [humboldthistory.org](http://humboldthistory.org), [timberheritage.org](http://timberheritage.org).

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## Noon Rotary's 14th Annual Humboldt Wine Fest set for April 27 at Ridgefield

**ROTARY CLUB OF ARCATA NOON HUMBOLDT** – The Rotary Club of Arcata Noon is thrilled to announce the highly-anticipated 14th Annual Humboldt Wine Festival, taking place on Saturday, April 27 from 3 to 6 p.m. at the picturesque Ridgefield Weddings & Events.

Indulge in an afternoon of pure bliss as you sip, savor, and mingle with local wine makers, relishing in the flavors of Humboldt and Trinity counties.

With unlimited tastings of the region's finest wines and a wide array of locally-sourced gourmet treats, this event is a true feast for the senses. We are also proud to feature a live band.

But that's not all! In addition to the main event, guests can also take part in wine themed games, where everyone's a winner. And don't forget to test your luck in the Dutch raffle, where locally-donated items await.

Admission tickets priced at just \$60 presale and \$75 at the door, you won't want to miss out on this unforgettable experience. But the best part? Your participation in this event helps fund our local and global community service projects.

With your donations, ticket purchases and Dutch raffle entries, we can contribute to worthy causes such as the Student Support for Burundi – The Heart of Africa, Renovation of Arcata Playgrounds, the Arcata High Career Center, Dictionaries for Third

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## Bills | Funds to clear outstanding arrearages

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the original program's March 4, 2020 to June 15, 2021 period.

The extension is funded with dollars remaining after implementation of the original Water and Wastewater Arrearages Program, which the City of Arcata also participated in.

The Program was funded by the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

The city applied for and requested funds for all water and wastewater customers identified as eligible.

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## Manila

❖ **FROM PAGE B1**

last year and his body was found Jan. 5. The Sheriff's Office identified a "person of interest," but the case remains unsolved.

During discussions about the camps, one idea that came up was the possibility of transferring management of the district land to a different agency, perhaps the Wiyot Tribe or the Bureau of Land Management.

At the March 19 meeting, Manager Drop asked the board whether it him to begin researching the idea. Drop said he'd need to hire an attorney to look at the legalities of a transferring the property.

"This is the big one," Drop said when introducing the agenda item. "There is a lot to consider."

Board member Danielle Muniz said she wanted more time to study the idea before doing anything, and suggested that the agenda item be postponed until a future meeting.

"There's absolutely no hurry with this," Muniz said.

On the flip side, board member Sequoyah Faulk-Kellogg said he would like more information on the idea.

"To me it's worth getting the details so we can be educated," Faulk-Kellogg said. "This is an issue that would need to have massive public involvement."

Board member John Broderick said he doesn't want the district to spend too many resources on studying the idea and suggested that the studies be conducted "in house."

The board ultimately decided to have Drop come back to the board with a full report on the district's current status with regard to managing the property.

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## Humboldt has nation’s first ‘Two Spirit Day’

**Daniel Mintz**  
**MAD RIVER UNION**  
HUMBOLDT – Humboldt is the first county in the nation to proclaim a “Two-Spirit Day of Appreciation and Celebration” that encourages residents to “summon the courage to stand up and speak out to interrupt racism, sexism, homophobia, and transphobia.”

So reads a proclamation approved by the county’s Board of Supervisors at its March 12 meeting.

The board designated March 19 as the celebration day, “Recognizing that Two-Spirit people have a rich tradition of contributing in myriad ways to the betterment of our society, often working at the forefront of social justice activism and human rights.”

The proclamation describes the Two-Spirit concept as “originating from Indigenous communities of Turtle Island” and reflecting “a unique cultural identity that includes

various sexual and gender expressions, intersecting with Indigenous LGBTQ+ identities.”

Wiyot Tribal Administrator Michelle Vassel emphasized the importance of social inclusion.

“We recognize that each of us has a role to play in advancing the tribe’s mission, culture and language revitalization,” she said.

According to the proclamation, the term Two-Spirit was first used in 1990 at an intertribal gay and lesbian conference.

The Two-Spirit Day of Appreciation and Celebration is recognized in communities throughout Canada but this is the first time it’s been designated in the United States, as noted by CJ Lewis, a Hoopa Valley tribal member and Queer Humboldt intern.

“This decision means so much to me and I know it means a lot to many others within our community,” he

said. “I’m overjoyed to celebrate this day as well as to see how others celebrate it for many years to come.”

The proclamation is sponsored by Supervisor Natalie Arroyo, who said the state is “exploring” recognition of two-spirit day.

“They haven’t gotten there yet so yes, we are the first, and I understand that the discussions with the state about this recognition will now include Humboldt County as a community in the state of California that has chosen to acknowledge this,” she continued.

She said she’s “excited that we can provide this support to our community members.”

The resolution says Two-Spirit people “continue to reclaim and tear down systemic barriers set up to exclude them and serve as community, cultural and educational leaders” due to their “community activism, determined advocacy, resilience and talent.”

## Yurok Tribe sells Mad River Brewery to the Paskenta Tribe

**MAD RIVER BREWERY**  
BLUE LAKE – On March 20, the Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians announced the acquisition of the Mad River Brewery from the Yurok Tribe. Based in Blue Lake, Mad River Brewery has distinguished itself as a producer of premium craft beers, recognized for their quality and dedication to environmental stewardship.

In November 2021, the Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians opened The Paskenta Brewery and Distillery, becoming the first tribal-owned distillery in California. With the acquisition of Mad River Brewery, the Paskenta Tribe continues to build its economic portfolio.

“Acquiring Mad River Brewery is another milestone in Paskenta’s commitment to building an economically sustainable future for our tribe and serving as an economic growth driver for our neighbors,” said Tribal Chairman Andrew “Dru” Alejandro. “We’ve enjoyed great community response since opening Paskenta Brewery & Distillery. Now, with the acquisition of Mad River Brewery, we’re

honored to extend our expertise in blending tribal identity and craft beer to the Northern California community and tribes across the nation. As we continue to innovate, we proudly lead the way in crafting beers and spirits within Indian Country.”

In 2019, Mad River Brewery became one of the first Tribal Breweries in the United States, making it a trailblazer in the craft beer industry. A women-led company formed the first partnership between a tribally owned brewery and a professional baseball team, making Mad River Brewery hand-crafted a staple at San Francisco Giants home games at Oracle Park. Mad River Brewery has won notable local, national, and international awards, including the Word Beer Cup and the Great American Beer Festival.

“It fills my heart to know the business will remain in tribal hands and continue supporting the tribal community. I have no doubt Mad River Brewery will continue its growth with this Paskenta Partnership,” said Linda Cooley, CEO of Mad River Brewery.

## New HCVB exhibit looks at the return of the Salmon Ceremony

**HUMBOLDT AREA PEOPLES ARCHIVE**  
HUMBOLDT – The Humboldt Area Peoples Archive announces the grand opening of its exhibit Salmon Ceremony Oral Histories on Saturday, April 6 at 6 p.m. at the Humboldt County Visitors Bureau, 422 First St. in Eureka.

This exhibit invites visitors to delve into the intricate interplay between activism, environmental stewardship and cultural collaboration.

The evening will commence with special speeches by Nicole Riggs, executive director of the Humboldt Area Peoples Archive, and Ruth Wortman, cultural coordinator with the Bear River Band, promising an unforgettable experience for all attendees.

This exhibit explores the revitalization

of the Salmon Ceremony by the Bear River Band at the mouth of the Mattole River in Petrolia. The Bear River Band consists of seven federally recognized tribes: Wiyot, Nongatl, Whilkut, Sinkiyone, Lassic, Bear River and Mattole.

The exhibit includes the voices of Ruth Wortman and Barry Brenard, cultural coordinators for the Bear River Band, speaking about the meaning of the Salmon Ceremony which existed for generations before falling away in 1958 during the termination era. In recent decades, the Bear River Band has taken steps to revitalize its culture.

Since 1980, the Mattole Salmon Group, a local environmental nonprofit, has been working in the river to restore salmon habitat and populations which were negatively

impacted from exploitative land management. They realized early on that in order to bring the salmon back from the brink of extinction for all peoples, there was a need to combine the spiritual connection of the indigenous people with Salmon together with science-based habitat and population enhancement activities they conducted.

In 2021, a collaborative effort developed between the Bear River Band and the Mattole Salmon Group, leading to the revitalization of the Salmon Ceremony. Every year in the fall, wild Mattole chinook and coho salmon migrate into the river to spawn when the river breaches the sand bar, generally in November.

In April, steelhead salmon come in to spawn. At both times, juvenile salmon

make their way into the ocean to mature for several years. Both events are celebrated in the Bear River Band Salmon Ceremony.

The Humboldt Area Peoples Archive developed the interactive exhibit in collaboration with the Bear River Band, Stacy Schaefer PhD, Ai Iwane, the Mattole Salmon Group and the Humboldt County Visitors Bureau. The exhibit will be open to the public Tuesday to Friday from noon to 4 p.m. until the end of June at the Humboldt County Visitors Bureau.

The Humboldt Area Peoples Archive (HAPA) collects, preserves and makes accessible the histories of counterculture and back-to-the-land in Humboldt and Northern California from the 1960s to now. [humboldtareaarchive.org](http://humboldtareaarchive.org).

## \$400K Butcher Slough cleanup plan grant

**CITY OF ARCATA**  
ARCATA – The City of Arcata is excited to announce that it has been selected as a recipient of the Equitable Community Revitalization Grant Round Two by the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC).

The nearly \$400,000 in funding will support the City of Arcata’s efforts to address legacy environmental contamination within Butcher Slough in the Arcata Marsh.

In 2023 the city completed a Phase I-II report funded by the Environmental Protection Agency which revealed dioxin and heavy metal contamination at Butcher Slough.

This location is one of dozens of former industrial and lumber sites along the shoreline of Humboldt Bay with legacy contamination.

Continued passive recre-

ation along public trails in the Butcher Slough area is not expected to be a threat to human health as legacy contamination remains in the slough sediments and below trail surfaces.

“This site has been one of our top priorities for many years” said Jennifer Kalt, executive director at Humboldt Waterkeeper. “We are thrilled that the city has been so proactive in pursuing grants to address the contamination that was left behind by lumber and plywood mills.”

The grant will be used to develop an actionable cleanup plan and engage the community around cleanup options for continued protection of public and environmental health.

All hazardous waste cleanup planning and eventually implementation activ-

ities will be monitored by the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board to ensure compliance with environmental regulations and standards and safeguarding the health of ecosystems and communities.

“We are deeply grateful for the support of our community partners in securing this grant,” said Emily Sinkhorn, director of Environmental Services at the City of Arcata. “This funding will enable us to develop a comprehensive cleanup plan and other necessary reports, laying the groundwork for future remediation efforts to ensure Butcher Slough can once again provide exceptional habitat.”

The city anticipates initiating the planning work this fall. For more information, visit [cityofarcata.org](http://cityofarcata.org) or call (707) 822-8184.

## Table tennis tourney set for April 6

**CITY OF ARCATA**  
ARCATA – The Arcata Recreation Division and local table tennis club will host a table tennis tournament in the gymnasium at the Arcata Community Center on Saturday, April 6 starting at 10 a.m.

Registration will begin as early as 9 a.m. in the gymnasium with the first matches starting at 10 a.m.

There will be no pre-registration for this competition. All participants must sign up on the day of the event and entry fees must be cash or check only. All participants younger than 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Please wear foot-

wear with non-marking soles.

This is a single player tournament (no doubles) and the different divisions will include: Beginner (\$10), Intermediate (\$15), and Advanced (\$20) categories. There will be a cash prize for the winner of each category.

Some paddles will be available for use if you are not bringing your own. Paddles will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

The Arcata Community Center is located at 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Pkwy. For more information, please call (707) 822-7091.

## Bayside Park farm shares available

**CITY OF ARCATA**  
BAYSIDE – The City of Arcata Recreation Division and Bayside Park Farm are now registering for Summer Farm Shares. Bayside Park Farm was Arcata’s first Community Supported Agriculture farm. This is the farm’s 31st year of providing fresh, local, organic produce and learning opportunities for the community.

Shares are available for weekly pick-

up beginning mid-June and going through October. A farm share generally provides food for three to four people. Shares cost \$520 for 20 weeks of organic, fresh produce. Payment plans are available. Shares are limited so sign up early!

Shares can be picked up at Bayside Park Farm, located at 930 Old Arcata Rd. For more information, please visit [cityofarcata.org/rec](http://cityofarcata.org/rec) or call (707) 822-7091.

## A trip to the wildlife refuge reveals a busy birdhive of avian activity

On the first Wednesday of every month, I lead a bird walk at the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge in Lolla from 9 to 11 a.m. Oh wait, there’s a catch... it is automatically canceled if it rains. Consequently, it has been quite a wet winter. So, it has been a while since I and a small group of people have ambled through the Refuge.

This month the Wednesday forecast was for “partly cloudy with possible afternoon showers.” Well, that sounded promising. As I headed south on 101 from Eureka, good sized patches of blue sky appeared.

However, when I arrived, I had no “takers.” That did not deter me. As I headed down the boardwalk I heard the red-winged blackbirds calling. Ah, they are beginning their quest of finding good nesting areas among the cattails. Later, the females will join them.

Whizzing overhead were lots of tree swallows. They are back and starting to check out the half dozen nesting boxes installed by the

Refuge staff.

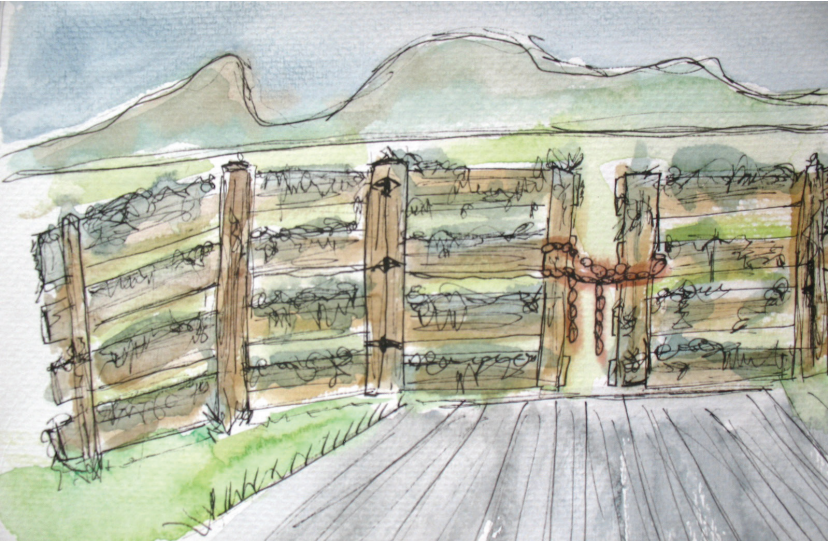
March is a time to see wintering birds and early arriving spring birds.

A few Tundra swans and Aleutian geese remained. In fact, the geese are preparing to return to their nesting grounds in the Aleutian Islands. They are fattening up on the lush grasses in the fields. The Refuge is a favorite spot for grass and vernal pools.

As I walk along I can see how the winter storms have shaped the landscape. As the soil is saturated with water, trees become unstable. Add in some strong winds and weak branches or whole trees come crashing down.

It is sad to see an old tree that for years has housed some cavity nesters, now crumbled and broken by the pathway. That is Nature’s housing development.

Where big branches break off, a woodpecker can see an opportunity. The dead wood attracts yummy insects and the soft wood can also be removed to make a safe



nesting spot. Other birds also appreciate a vacated cavity and use it for nesting as well.

Proceeding along, I noted the coots, egrets, a heron, robins, phoebes, buffleheads, various sparrows and others. It was nice being alone as I could just quietly stop, watch and listen.

Approaching a large stand of cattails, I noticed a marsh wren attacking a large old cattail head. The bird pulled a huge clump of fluff from the plant and dove into an area where it was apparently constructing a nest. In a few min-

utes, the bird returned for another clump. It was so large that I could hardly see much of the bird, only a white fluffy blob being transported a few feet away. He did this a few more times.

I am hoping to recall the site and see the finished product. The nests are hard to find, for obvious reasons. Since wrens make several nests to impress a mate, maybe I might spot *one!*

As the morning progressed, the blue sky diminished and more clouds gathered. So much for *afternoon* showers. I decided to

head back to my car.

Luckily the shower was very light. I had enough time to view a beautiful female merganser on a little pond. This is not a usual visitor.

Though I like to lead a group, being solo was so rewarding. You can see things that probably would have been missed with a group. Those really small things, like mating banana slugs just off the edge of the path! Birds more often scatter as three, four or five-people approach. Loners have an advantage.

I will say that I brought my sketchbook and pen...just in case. I was able to scribble a quick scene that I brushed with color after I got home. (*See the insert!*)

If you would like to join me, mark your calendars. It is the first Wednesday of (almost) every month at the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge from 9 am to 11 a.m. From 101, take the Hookton Road exit, then follow the frontage road to the visitor’s center. Perhaps you would just like to be by yourself. Either way, it is a good place of refuge for wildlife and people.

Check it out!



**BIRD BRAINS**  
Louise Bacon-Ogden



That Baldosser Magic

I'd like to thank David Baldosser of MCSD for his 26 years of fine customer service and wish him a very happy retirement – even though it's a loss for me. I will miss the lift to my spirits whenever I encountered him at the MCSD office or on the phone.

Joyce King  
McKinleyville

A gigantic boondoggle

The proposed project to build a 5-acre concrete slab over U.S. 101 between Cal Poly and uptown Arcata would be a stunningly extravagant boondoggle. Frankly, I'm alarmed that so many sober policy-makers are expressing giddy excitement for it. I guess that it simply illustrates the powerful appeal of "free" money from the government and for some, the yearning to restore the past. Let's take a rational look at the cost and benefits of the big slab project, and possible alternative projects.

Cost

I just did my own fact check of the US101 animal crossing in LA county. It was 210' long x 174' wide and cost about \$100 million. That is \$100 million/.84 acre or \$119 million/acre. Based on that reference, the 5-acre Arcata crossing project would cost around \$600 million. For reference, the block where I live in uptown Arcata is 300 by 300 feet = 2 acres with 10 houses collectively valued by Zillow at \$5.8 million, or \$2.9 million per acre. The big slab project land, before any utilities or buildings would be 41 times more expensive than the fully developed block that I share with my neighbors. In other words, the \$600 million to build two or three blocks of unimproved slab could buy 100 blocks/200 acres of existing Arcata (if there are that many). How could anyone apply the "affordable" label to housing or any other development on the big slab?

Benefit

The big slab project benefits discussed by proponents are either misinformed or greatly exaggerated. How will it "address mobility and accessibility needs that are currently

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disrupted by ... SR 255 and SR 299" as Senator McGuire opines in his endorsement letter? The real motive for the project seems to be the 50-year-old grievance and nostalgia held by some of the people who lived here at the time the expressway was built.

My wife and I moved here from a Chicago suburb in 2015 and we know what real congestion looks like. During our morning walks around Arcata, we use all the available expressway crossings – Sunset Avenue, 17th Street pedway, 14th Street, 11th Street and Seventh Street. They all work well. U.S. 101 traffic is only a concern around the interchange ramps at Sunset, beyond the scope of the big slab. The same is true for bike travel which I frequently do, except that the 17th Street pedway discourages bike use.

Alternatives

- Bridge over U.S. 101 from 16th Street to Harpst
- This would reduce the 5-acre big slab down to perhaps .25 acre. Although it would be somewhat redundant with the 17th Street pedway, it could be wide enough to accommodate walkers and bikers. The elevation change over its length would be more friendly to wheelchairs and bikes than the existing corridors. Compared to the 17th Street pedway it would have the disadvantage of connecting on the west side of L K Wood.
- Bridge over U.S. 101 from the new Cal Poly residence towers to L K Wood
- This would allow Cal Poly students on foot or bike to avoid the congested Sunset/U.S. 101 interchange. The proposed roundabout work at Sunset will better manage congestion, but it won't reduce the volume.
- Connect Valley West to L K Wood

- This would entail a bridge over SR299 and some right-of-way acquisition. It would be most helpful for pedestrian and bike users by shortening the path to campus and downtown from Valley West and by avoiding the heavily used intersections at Giuntoli/U.S. 101 and Giuntoli/SR299.
- Connect segments of Janes Road from Giuntoli to SR255
  - This would relieve traffic on the Alliance/K Street corridor and provide access to large areas of undeveloped land (and much lower cost land compared to "new land" over U.S. 101). It would also support the Gateway plan.
  - Connect east and west segments of Foster Avenue
  - This would relieve traffic that now diverts to 17th Street and creates congestion where 17th intersects Alliance. It would also reinforce the proposed Janes Road corridor.

L. Alan Lowry  
Arcata

Tank sacrilege

As someone involved in historic preservation I was appalled at the photo of an excavator parked next to Manila's redwood water tank. Even the article's title deemed it as historic. I see it time and time again, buildings rich in a never-to-be-seen again high value product crushed by excavators. Granted, deconstructing a building is much more involved but demolishing a water tank, built from the best quality redwood there was, is sacrilege. There's a simple trick to tank deconstruction and shame on the folks if they destroyed it, and those officials who allowed it to happen.

Bob Felter  
McKinleyville

Thanks, professionals

At the end of the day and at the end of my week, I got a call that no business owner wants to get. A car had accidentally driven into the building! Fortunately, no one was hurt, at least not physically. A young, inexperienced driver was beside himself and apologetic about the mishap. After cooperating with the CHP officer on scene and the Arcata Fire Department who secured the safety of the building, the young man approached me. He expressed his remorse and asked if he could help clean up. Against the advice of the attorney in my head, I allowed him to work alongside our team members in the cleanup. I felt that this would help him reconcile with his unfortunate actions. I was impressed with his integrity and work ethic and asked him if he was interested in a job. This seemed to brighten his spirits and he said he would like to work for us. We'll have to see if that works out...

I want to thank the CHP officers that responded to the scene for their professionalism. I especially want to thank Arcata Fire District crew who carefully removed the large panes of broken glass and insured the safety of the building. They went above and beyond providing some temporary materials to secure the building overnight. I also want to thank Pacific Builders for responding so quickly to make the building secure. And finally, I want to thank our excellent team members at Eureka Natural Foods-McKinleyville for their professional handling of an unexpected and difficult situation.

Sincerely,  
Rick Littlefield, President, ENF  
Eureka



Genevieve Serna

Serna campaign issues: housing, transport and town-gown

GENEVIEVE SERNA CAMPAIGN FOR ARCATA CITY COUNCIL  
ARCATA – Genevieve Serna is proud to announce the launch of her campaign for Arcata City Council. "I'm excited to begin connecting with the people of Arcata and not just sharing my platform, but hearing their vision and hopes for our city." A housing and active transport advocate, Serna moved to Humboldt County in 2014 to attend Cal-Poly Humboldt where she earned a degree in Botany. She now shares her home in Arcata with her husband and their two pets. Sernas' campaign is focused on exploring affordable housing solutions, improving road infrastructure

and acting as an ambassador between the Cal-Poly and resident communities. Serna's's background in public service extends back to her days as a member of Interact and restoring native oak reserves in her hometown to her current service as a sitting member of Arcata's Transportation Safety Committee. She's additionally been involved in volunteer efforts to bring food to Rio Dell following the December 2022 earthquake, Godwit Days and Arcata Main Street's 2023 Oysterfest as the celebration made its return to the Arcata Plaza. Early endorsers of Serna's campaign

include the Redwood Coalition for Climate & Environmental Responsibility (RCCER), District 4 Supervisor Natalie Arroyo, Environmental Protection Information Center's (EPIC) Matt Simmons and the Coalition for Responsible Transportation Priorities (CRTP) Executive Director Colin Fiske. "I'm launching this campaign to serve the city I love. To support safe and responsible growth while respecting and maintaining what makes this small town so special is at the heart of my campaign." To learn more about her campaign, visit [sernaforarcata.com](#).

Results and analysis of the CCCU board election by a former candidate

*Note: the following quasi-news release was written and submitted by one of the subjects of the piece, Coast Central Credit Union Board of Directors electee Carrie Peyton Dahlberg.*

Carrie Peyton-Dahlberg  
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

In the wake of a complaint to state regulators, Coast Central Credit Union recently posted on its website the vote counts from the last two annual elections for its board of directors. "This is a huge step, coming after months of refusing to disclose these numbers, and I commend the credit union and its board for releasing the vote tallies," said Carrie Peyton-Dahlberg, who brought the complaint to the California Department of Financial Protection and Innovation. According to the Coast Central website ([coastccu.org/election-results/](#)), January 2023 vote tallies for the board of directors were:

- Kelly Walsh: 1,545 votes (54.5 percent), elected to a 3-year term
- Rees Hughes: 1,359 votes (47.9 percent), elected to a 3-year term
- John Gladding: 1,271 votes (44.8 percent), elected to a 3-year term
- James Kloor: 1,141 votes (40.2 percent), not elected
- Maricela Aceves Wexler: 1,103 votes (38.9 percent), not elected
- Kassidy Banducci: 1,010 votes (35.6 percent), not elected
- Dane Valadao: 848 votes (29.9 percent), not elected

According to Coast Central's website ([coastccu.org/elections/](#)), January 2024 vote tallies were:

- Volunteer Board of Directors
- Matt Wakefield: 1,641 votes (73.1 percent), elected to a 3-year term
- Terry Anne Meierding: 1,600 votes (71.3 percent), elected to a 3-year term
- Ron Rudebock: 1,520 votes (67.7 percent), elected to a 3-year term
- Dane Valadao: 1,346 votes (60.0 percent), elected to a 1-year term for the remainder of a 2023 retiree's term
- Carrie Peyton-Dahlberg: 1,174 votes (52.3 percent), not elected

Volunteer Supervisory Committee:

- Paula Mushrush: 1,881 votes (83.8 percent), elected to

a 3-year term

Ron Rudebock, chair of Coast Central's board of directors, explained the credit union's change of heart in a formal response to the state, which was addressed to Peyton-Dahlberg but emailed to the Department of Financial Protection and Innovation. "In response to members requests at the annual meeting and in the spirit of enhanced transparency and goodwill, we have taken the additional step of posting the vote totals from the previous year on our website," Rudebock wrote. "We hope this action demonstrates our commitment to transparency and our dedication to addressing the concerns of our members."

For more than a year, James Sessa, president/CEO of the member-owned credit union, declined multiple requests from past candidates, their supporters and members of the media to release the 2023 numbers. Among those who asked, and were turned down, were James Kloor, who ran for the credit union board of directors on the "Members Voice" ticket in January 2023 and Peyton-Dahlberg, who ran for the board of directors in January 2024.

In addition, during a question period after the Coast Central Credit Union annual meeting in February 2024, several member-owners asked for more detailed election results, including listing the actual votes received by each candidate, rather than just providing the names of winners. However, Sessa countered that Coast Central does not release vote tallies because it wants all elected board members to be seen as being on equal footing, no matter how many votes they received.

The day after that meeting, on Feb. 23, Peyton-Dahlberg filed her complaint with the California Department of Financial Protection and Innovation, asking the state to require that the vote totals be released.

The state notified Peyton-Dahlberg on March 15 via Rudebock's letter that the vote counts are now released.

The vote totals themselves, rather than just the names of winners, were important for several reasons, Peyton-Dahlberg wrote in her complaint to the state. First, if the tally had been very close, it would have raised questions about how Coast Central handled its procedures for disqualifying votes based on signature discrepancies. Second, the board of directors needed that hard data on how member-owners viewed different candidates and their ideas.

A subcommittee of the board considered both Wexler and Valadao, among others, for appointment to several

board vacancies that arose later in 2023. They appointed Valadao even though he received 255 fewer votes than Wexler, who ran on the "Members Voice" slate. They also appointed Wakefield and Meierding, passing up two other opportunities to appoint Wexler.

In her complaint to the state, Peyton-Dahlberg argued that making these appointments without knowing the vote totals of all applicants violated the board's duty to act in the best interests of its member-owners. That issue was not addressed by the state.

In his letter, Rudebock wrote that the appointment subcommittee relies on "a comprehensive understanding of the qualifications and contributions of each candidate and the talent gaps within the board to make informed decisions, rather than solely on the number of votes they received."

With Coast Central's written response, the Department of Financial Protection and Innovation has now closed the file on Peyton-Dahlberg's complaint. It explained: "Please understand that this does not mean your concerns do not have merit. The DFPI provides a service by requiring its licensees to respond to consumer complaints in writing. But, in general, the DFPI cannot intervene on behalf of individual consumers in any particular case. The Department brings consumer protection actions when we find patterns of deception, misrepresentation or unfair business practices of statewide interest."

The department regulates credit unions and other financial service providers, and Peyton-Dahlberg encouraged anyone having consumer issues with their bank or credit union to turn to it as a possible resource.

She also urged Coast Central member-owners to use their comment cards to ask for further progress, such as publicly announcing board vacancies, revising board election rules so they don't hinder election outreach, and changing the board appointment process so that future vacancies can be filled in a way that is more representative of community demographics.

"Coast Central is moving in a good direction, including releasing these numbers, putting 2024 election reminders in each branch and making sure that its ballots were sent in clearly labeled envelopes," Peyton-Dahlberg said. "All of these are big improvements over the January 2023 election, and I hope this is starting a new trend."

"Bit by bit, if member-owners stay involved, we can encourage Coast Central to move further down this path of listening to the people who own it," she said.



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**FIRE ARTS** Stop by the Fire Arts Gallery to see local ceramics. SUBMITTED PHOTOS

## Quirky creatures & ceramics at Fire Arts

**FIRE ARTS CENTER**  
**MARSH DISTRICT** – For the months of March and April, the Fire Arts Center Gallery is exhibiting the works of ceramic artist Douglas K. Umland, and ceramic sculptors Daniel J. Nelson and Suzanne McClurkin-Nelson. The artists are hosting a reception on Friday, April 12 from 5 to 7 p.m. during the monthly Arts!Arcata art night.

McClurkin-Nelson began her interest in ceramics throwing on a potter’s wheel in 2007 but quickly moved on to creating slab-built decorative pieces. She moved back to Humboldt county in 2014 but did not return to ceramics until she retired in 2023.

As a Fire Arts member, she has been exploring sculptural forms using a variety of methods and giving full voice to her interest in whimsical character sculpture. “I am always learning new techniques from the many fine artists here,” Suzanne said. Her newest pieces include highly decorated animals with huge personalities.

Although he is a general contractor, Nelson has degrees in sculpture and

drawing. He has enjoyed doing animal sculptures at Fire Arts since he moved to Humboldt County in 2022. His clay creations are scattered around the Fieldbrook property that the three artists all share.

Umland has been pursuing ceramics since 2006. He developed an interest in Japanese, Korean and Chinese aesthetics of form, decoration, and glazes as part of his early explorations in ceramics. Although he has broadened his pursuits, the natural materials and organic forms remain a constant attraction.

Fire Arts, located at 520 S. G St. in Arcata, across from the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center, has been teaching ceramics and fused glass skills and providing studio space and kiln firing resources to the local community since 2000. Fire Arts is open every day and has a large selection of locally-made ceramic and fused glass pieces for sale all year.

Classes are held year-round and include day and evening classes for adults and children. (707) 826-1445, [fireartsarcata.com](http://fireartsarcata.com)

## Acclaimed organist, violinist to perform

**CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**EUREKA** – Prize-winning Hungarian organist Sándor Balatoni and acclaimed Hungarian-American violinist Philip Ficsor will present a concert at Christ Episcopal Church, at H and 15th streets in Eureka, on Sunday, April 7 at 4 p.m. The suggested donation is \$20 per person.

Christ Church, known for its superb pipe organ and resonant acoustics, contin-

ues its tradition of bringing internationally known concert artists to Eureka.

Their program for the April 7 concert will include works by Béla Bartók, Josef Rheinberger, Jules Massenet, and others. There will be a reception following the concert. Christ Church is located at 1428 H Street, Eureka (corner of H & 15th). Off-street parking is available at the corner of 14th and G streets.



**EASTER SUNDAY** Pastor Taylor Hagbo leads a “Lamb’s Lesson” for the kids at the 2023 Easter Sunday Festival Service at the Lutheran Church of Arcata. Easter 2024 services are at 7 and 10 a.m., March 31. SUBMITTED PHOTO

## Step back in time with a Lutheran breakfast

**LUTHERAN CHURCH OF ARCATA**  
**ARCATA** – The community is warmly invited to the Lutheran Church of Arcata’s festive celebrations on Easter on Sunday, March 31. The parish is located between the Cal Poly Humboldt campus and the Arcata Community Forest at 151 East 16th St., Arcata.

Festivities begin with a traditional Easter Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. – offering early-risers a positive way to greet the rising sun in a beautiful, music-and-light-filled sanctuary, itself ensconced within a natural cathedral of towering redwoods.

By 8 a.m., the church kitchen will be humming with activity, welcoming hungry guests to the enjoyment of an Arcata culinary tradition first begun when the town was young. When this breakfast tradition began in the early 1950s, Arcata was populated by just over 3,700 people and Humboldt State College was attended by 750 students. Back then, Arcata was called “the lumber center of the West,” and was known also for its fishing and hunting, as well as a good dairy industry. Also back then, they really knew how to put out a breakfast spread!

This is the heritage of the Lutheran Church of Arcata’s Legendary Easter Breakfast, unchanged and stubbornly unimproved since 1953! The full-service breakfast, featuring a sit-down menu of home-roasted ham, tender-scrambled eggs, crispy hashbrowns, buttery toast, fresh fruit, homemade baked goods, orange juice, and authentic church coffee will be served continuously, 8 to 10 a.m. Free-will donations are welcomed and will support the congregation’s Mattole Family Camp this summer.

At 10 a.m., all are invited to celebrate Easter through an uplifting worship service showcasing a traditional Lutheran Divine Liturgy, passed down through the centuries, interspersed with a wide variety of contemporary and traditional music,

scripture readings, prayer, reflection, and lots of singing. The service will be highlighted by the celebration of Holy Communion, a commemoration of Jesus’ Last Supper with his disciples.

Lutherans, a Christian denomination historically known as “the singing church,” will indeed live up to that moniker on Easter Sunday in Arcata. A diverse variety of jubilant music is in the offing, from literally “pulling out the stops” on its authentic Schlicker pipe organ for traditional hymn singing (accompanied by horns), to contemporary music lead by a rockin’ Praise Band, to choral music presented by the Lutheran Church of Arcata Choir.

Services will be led by Pastor Taylor Hagbo. After church, there will be a super fun Easter egg hunt for the kids, and time for hanging out with a casual cup of coffee and some delicious baked goods from the Easter Breakfast.

People of every stripe and creed, Christians and non-Christians, spiritual seekers, and those who simply want to start their Easter with an incredible historical breakfast are warmly welcome to join us at the Lutheran Church of Arcata Easter Sunday morning for any of these festivities.

The Lutheran Church of Arcata is unique in Lutherandom for maintaining affiliation with both major Lutheran Synods, despite the Synods’ sometimes theologically/politically contentious relationship.

In addition to its focus on Christ’s ecumenical Gospel message, the Lutheran Church of Arcata is notable also for its beautiful architecture and setting. Designed by local architect, Marvin Trump, and constructed in the early 1970s (to replace previous facilities taken by eminent domain for the highway through Arcata), the church’s sanctuary is a gorgeous light-filled space, tucked into a Redwood Forest at the edge of the Cal Poly Humboldt campus and the City of Arcata’s Redwood Park.

**ALLISON, CARDENAS & NASH** performs Wednesday, March 27 at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St., Arcata. Bassist Ben Allison, guitarist Steve Cardenas and saxophonist Ted Nash model their trio after Jimmy Giuffre’s drummerless units of the 1950s and ’60s, incorporating elements of blues and folk while also embracing free playing. For their newest album, *Tell the Birds I Said Hello* — which comes after two records focused on the music of *West Side Story* and the late-great Carla Bley, respectively — they return to a longstanding figure of fascination for Allison, the underrated

pianist-composer Herbie Nichols. Doors open at 7 p.m, show starts at 8 p.m. All ages. Tickets are \$20 in advance and at the door, and \$15 for students and seniors. (707) 822-1575, [arcataplayhouse.org](http://arcataplayhouse.org)

**DEREK MONEYPENNY** performs Wednesday, March 27 at Richard’s Goat, 401 I St., Arcata. Born in the Arizona desert, a veteran of multiple explorations into the Sahara desert via Morocco and Western Sahara, and now a resident of the Mojave, Derek Mon-eypenny sees his musical mission as adding to the “desert continuum,” the psychedelic sirocco swirl of desert-based stringed instruments played with utter abandon by musicians the world over. Doors open at 6 p.m., show starts at 7 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$5-\$10 on a sliding scale in advance or at the door. (707) 630-5000, [richardsgoat.com](http://richardsgoat.com)

**THE CLAIRE BENT JAZZ QUARTET** performs Thursday, March 28 at The Basement, 780 Seventh St., ground floor of Jacoby’s Storehouse, Arcata. Claire Bent is a local singer and songwriter specializing in jazz, funk and folk. Doors open at 5 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. (707) 645-2309, [basementarcata.com](http://basementarcata.com)

**PHOENIX HALLING** performs Thursday, March 28 at the Logger, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake. Solo acoustic performer offering an eclectic blend of folk, blues and Americana, with elements of jazz and reggae on occasion. The show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. (707) 668-5000, [loggerbar.com/events](http://loggerbar.com/events)

**PETE SAWYER AND THE LEFT HANDED MONKEY WRENCH GANG** performs Friday, March 29 at the Humboldt Brewery, 856 10th St., Arcata. Pete Sawyer and The Left Hand Monkey Wrench Gang offer a high energy “all kill-



**NEW PELICANS** take the stage Saturday, March 30 at Wrangle-town Cider Company in Arcata. PHOTO BY JANINE VOLKMAR

er, no filler” Grateful Dead experience every time they take the stage. Doors open at 7:30 p.m, show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$20 in advance and at the door. (707) 826-BREWS, [humbrews.com](http://humbrews.com)

**SWINGO DOMINGO** performs Friday, March 29 at Richard’s Goat, 401 I St., Arcata. A night of local bands with Swingo Domingo (Humboldt County’s sauciest swing-pop duo), House of Mary (Bohemian jangle-rock for dark-minded folks), and Icarus and Sons (Afro-Belizean funk-rock). Doors open at 6 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$5-\$10 on a sliding scale in advance or at the door. (707) 630-5000, [richardsgoat.com](http://richardsgoat.com)

**SOUL TRIP** performs Friday, March 29 at The Basement. 780 Seventh St., ground floor of Jacoby’s Storehouse, Arcata. Trip out with your soul with the funk, blues and rock sounds of Soul Trip. Doors open at 5 p.m., show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$5 at the door. (707) 645-2309, [basementarcata.com](http://basementarcata.com)

**GOOD TIME CHARLIES** perform Friday, March 29 at the Logger,

510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake. Original and diverse tunes from eclectic local garage folk rock trio Good Time Charlies. The show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$5 at the door. (707) 668-5000, [loggerbar.com/events](http://loggerbar.com/events)

**PAPA HAOLE AND THE FLEAS** perform Saturday, March 30 at the Humboldt Brewery, 856 10th St., Arcata. Local favorites Papa Haole feature steel pan, ukulele, drums, bass and guitar, playing original rock, reggae, ska, Latin and calypso. With Samba Flor-esta, a Humboldt County-born group specializing in various popular Brazilian music styles including Rio Samba, Bahian styles, and Pagode. Also with Asha Nan and Loud Neighbors. Doors open at 7:30 p.m, show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$5 at the door. (707) 826-BREWS, [humbrews.com](http://humbrews.com)

**THE NEW PELICANS** perform Saturday, March 30 at Wrangle-town Cider Company, 931 I St. Arcata. The New Pelicans band, consisting of former members of the Handshakers along with mandolinist Darren Weiss, play great Americana originals and a few covers. Doors open at 7 p.m.,

show starts at 7:30 p.m. All ages. Tickets are \$10 at the door. (707) 508-5175, [wrangletowncider-company.com](http://wrangletowncider-company.com)

**QUARTET NOIR** performs Saturday, March 30 at The Basement. 780 Seventh St., ground floor of Jacoby’s Storehouse, Arcata. Quartet Noir will be performing swing, jazz, blues and bossa nova music. Doors open at 5 p.m., show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$5 at the door. (707) 645-2309, [basementarcata.com](http://basementarcata.com)

**LINDSAY LOU** performs Tuesday, April 2 at the Humboldt Brewery, 856 10th St., Arcata. Lindsay’s vocals are a powerful companion to her songwriting. Lou’s voice is a molasses-sweet instrument equally capable of clarion ache, slicing deep into the soul, and she honed her honest and resonant style with her bluegrass-inspired band, Lindsay Lou & The Flat-bellys and Michigan supergroup Sweet Water Warblers, running the gamut of blues, gospel, soul, and Appalachian folk. Also with Portland-based singer, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Jay Cobb Anderson. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$20 in advance and at the door. (707) 826-BREWS, [humbrews.com](http://humbrews.com)

**COMING UP**

- Poor Man’s Whiskey at Humboldt Brewery, Friday, April 5, 9 p.m.
- Immanuel Wilkins at Fulkerson Recital Hall, Sunday, April 7, 7 p.m,
- Sara Milonovich and Greg Anderson at the Arcata Playhouse, Friday, April 12, 8 p.m.
- Ott at the Arcata Theatre Lounge, Saturday, April 20, 9 p.m.
- Sister Carol at Humboldt Brewery, Friday, April 26, 9 p.m.
- The California Honeydrops at the Arcata Theatre Lounge, Sunday, April 28, 7 p.m.

## Easter Egg Hunt

Meet at Totem Pole  
**Saturday  
March 30  
10 AM**

**5 GROUPS:**  
0–3 yrs. ♦ 4–6 yrs.  
7–9 yrs. ♦ 10 yrs. & up  
& Children with special needs

**Meet the  
Easter Bunny!**

Lots of free candy,  
and special eggs  
contain gifts and  
Easter Basket Coupons!

**MCKINLEYVILLE  
Shopping Center**  
Central Avenue & City Center Road



FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00142

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **HIGHGRADE DISTRIBUTION**  
1551 NURSERY WAY  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
.COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
**JEDI HOLDINGS INC.**  
CALIFORNIA 4550525  
1551 NURSERY WAY C  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519

This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION  
**S/CRAIG NEJEDLY PRESIDENT**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on MARCH12, 2024  
**JUAN P. CERVANTES**  
JR/DEPUTY CLERK  
3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00134

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **KELSIE'S PET SERVICES,**  
**BLACK GOAT PROVISIONS**  
2874 PIGEON POINT ROAD  
EUREKA, CA 95503  
.COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
**KELSIE D. HUBICK**  
2874 PIGEON POINT ROAD  
EUREKA, CA 95503

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
**S/KELSIE HUBIK INDIVIDUAL OWNER**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on MARCH 8, 2024  
**JUAN P. CERVANTES**  
JR/DEPUTY CLERK  
3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00082

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MISTY MOUNTAIN FLOORA**  
536 WARREN CREEK ROAD  
ARCATA, CA 95521  
.COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
**MARCIA F. DAVIS**  
536 WARREN CREEK ROAD  
ARCATA, CA 95521

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
**S/MARCIA F. DAVIS OWNER**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 13, 2024  
**JUAN P. CERVANTES**  
JR/DEPUTY CLERK  
3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00140

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MOONSTONE IN BLOOM**  
724 FERNCREST RD.  
TRINIDAD, CA 95570  
.COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
**DEVON L. VAN DAM**  
724 FERNCREST RD.  
TRINIDAD, CA 95570

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
**S/DEVON VAN DAM OWNER**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on MARCH 11, 2024  
**JUAN P. CERVANTES**  
JR/DEPUTY CLERK  
3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00093

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **LIMINAL GOOD AND SERVICES**  
822 G STREET, SUITE 5  
ARCATA, CA 95521  
P.O. BOX 474  
BAYSIDE, CA 95524  
.COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
**KEVIN B. SHARKEY**  
822 G STREET, SUITE 5  
ARCATA, CA 95521  
This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
**S/KEVIN B. SHARKEY SOLE PROPRIETOR**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 20, 2024  
**JUAN P. CERVANTES**  
SG/DEPUTY CLERK  
3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/6

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00131

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **WHITE LOTUS CULTURAL DANCERS**  
539 G ST. STE 105  
EUREKA, CA 95501  
P.O. BOX 365  
EUREKA, CA 95502  
.COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
**HUMBOLDT SKATE PARK COLLECTIVE**  
CA 2359463  
2437 E. COCHRAN RD  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519

This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION  
**S/CHARLES E. CALDWELL PRESIDENT**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on MARCH 7, 2024  
**JUAN P. CERVANTES**  
SG/DEPUTY CLERK  
3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/6

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00123

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MINTY MOLARS MARKETING**  
4991 VAN DYKE CT.  
ARCATA, CA 95521  
P.O. BOX 182  
SAMOA, CA 95564  
.COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
**JULIO C. SANDOVAL**

4991 VAN DYKE CT.  
ARCATA, CA 95521  
This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
**S/JULIO C. SANDOVAL SOLE PROPRIETOR/INDIVIDUAL**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 29, 2024  
**JUAN P. CERVANTES**  
JR/DEPUTY CLERK  
3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/6

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00107

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MOUNTAIN OF MERCY MISSION FARM**  
50525 MATTOLE ROAD  
HONEY DEW , CA 95545  
P.O. BOX 55  
HONEY DEW, CA 95545  
.COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
**MISSION TEENS, INC.**  
NJ 3052562  
103 CHESTNUT STREET  
AUBUDON, NJ 08106  
This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY  
**S/STEPHEN R. SCHWARTZ**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 26, 2024  
**JUAN P. CERVANTES**  
SG/DEPUTY CLERK  
3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00105

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **LASER WOOD CRAFT**  
775 WESTGATE DRIVE  
EUREKA, CA 95503  
.COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
**MARK C. RILEY**  
775 WESTGATE DRIVE  
EUREKA, CA 95503  
This business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE  
**S/MARK C. RILEY OWNER**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 23, 2024  
**JUAN P. CERVANTES**  
SC/DEPUTY CLERK  
3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00042

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **LOST COAST AQUATICS**  
1681 HIDEAWAY CT. A  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
P.O. BOX 677  
FORTUNA, CA 95540  
.COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
**MICHAEL K. NICHOLS**  
P.O. BOX 677  
FORTUNA, CA 95540  
This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL  
**S/MICHAEL KEITH NICHOLS OWNER**  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN. 24, 2024  
**JUAN P. CERVANTES**  
JR/DEPUTY CLERK  
3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

**CHARLES G. WARNOW CASE NO.: PR2400061**  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:  
**CHARLES G. WARNOW**  
A Petition for Probate has been filed by ANDREW C. WARNOW AND AREN R. WARNOW, in the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt.

The Petition for Probate requests that: ANDREW C. WARNOW AND AREN R. WARNOW be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: APRIL 4, 2024  
Time: 1:31 PM  
Dept.: 4  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.  
COURT MAY BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DUE TO THE

COVID-19 PANDEMIC. PLEASE VISIT https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ONLINE VIDEO HEARING.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
ANDREW C. WARNOW, AREN R. WARNOW 3544 G ST. EUREKA, CA 95501 (707) 834-6567 3/13, 3/20, 3/27

ARCATA SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY

A vacancy has occurred on the Board of Trustees of the Arcata School District, effective February 12, 2024. The Board of Trustees is seeking a qualified person to join the Board for the remainder of the term (until the November 2024 election). Please consider joining Board President Brian Hudgens, Board Clerk Christine Ng, and Trustees Anna KT McClure and John Schmidt in promoting student achievement and successfully guiding the District into the future.

Pursuant to Education Code sections 5091 and 5328, the Board of Trustees of the Arcata School District intends to appoint a qualified person to the Board to fulfill this vacancy. Qualifications include being at least 18 years of age and a registered voter, and applicants must live within the designated trustee area. Area 3 is in north Arcata between Highway 101 west to the Westwood neighborhood and Wyatt Lane, and 17th Street north to 27th Street. To determine which trustee area you live in, use the interactive map developed by the District at http://arcg.is/mH9L9 by entering an address in the search tool at the upper right.

Persons interested in applying may obtain an application online at arcataschooldistrict.org, or by calling or writing to Superintendent Luke Biesecker at (707) 822-0351, ext. 101; superintendent@arcatasd.org; or 1435 Buttermilk Lane, Arcata CA 95521.

Completed applications must be received in the District Office no later than **5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3, 2024**. The current members of the Board of Trustees will interview applicants in open session at a meeting on Monday, April 8. The successful applicant will be seated at that meeting and shall be afforded all the powers and duties of a Board member upon appointment.

Persons desiring to submit questions for the Board's consideration in connection with the interview process may submit suggested questions in writing to the District Office by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3, 2024. 3/20, 3/27

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

**JAMES E. MURPHY CASE NO.: 2400057**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be inter-

ested in the will or estate, or both, of:

**JAMES E. MURPHY aka JAMES MURPHY, aka JAMES EMMET MURPHY**

A Petition for Probate has been filed by JENNIFER LUNA in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: JENNIFER LUNA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: APRIL 25, 2024  
Time: 1:31 PM  
Dept.: 4  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

COURT MAY BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. PLEASE VISIT https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ONLINE VIDEO HEARING.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
KURT D. HUYSENTRUYT 3650 LAWTON ST. SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94122 EUREKA, CA 95501 (415) 661-5565 3/20, 3/27, 4.6

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

CASE NUMBER:CV2400149  
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: Wilder Vision LLC dba Apex North, Morgan Lyons, and Does 1 to 50. YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTEFF (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): VALLEY PACIFIC PETROLEUM SERVICES, INC. NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form.

If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación. Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

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SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER:CV2301216  
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There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación. Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF ARCATA ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

April 11, 2024, at 10:30 a.m.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Administrator of the City of Arcata will conduct a Public Hearing on Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. in the Arcata City Council Chambers, at 736 F Street, Arcata for a Hillside Development Permit and Minor Use Permit (parking site and yard setback modification) to develop a dwelling unit. Zoning Administrator hearings have returned to in-person hybrid meetings. The City Council asks that when attending meetings, persons socially distance as best as they can and be courteous to those who continue to wear a mask.

Project Description: The development of a two-story single-family residence on vacant land. A Hillside Development Permit is required as the parcel is in a mapped Hillside Development Area. The existing legal parcel does not meet current slope and area standard. A parking site and front yard setback modification are requested based on the slope of the property.

Project Location: Vacant land between 3475 Lake Way and 452 Tan-

glewood Rd. Lot 1 of Curtis Heights Tract Map. About 260 feet north from the Forest Ave and Lake Way intersection, Arcata

**Assessor's Parcel Number:** 507-023-002  
**Application Type:** Hillside Development Permit and Minor Use Permit  
**Property Owner/Applicants:** Rad Kellar  
**File Number:** 234-014-HD-MUP

**Zoning / General Plan:** Residential Low Density  
**Coastal Zone:** Not in Coastal Zone.

**Environmental:** Proposed Class 3, section 15303 New Construction categorical exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the information regarding the proposed project and environmental determination may be reviewed at the Community Development Department at Arcata City Hall, 736 F St, Arcata on Monday – Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Contact: Joe Mateer, Senior Planner.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the Zoning Administrator will consider public comment, and the entire public record on the project, prior to making any decision.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that this action is appealable to the Planning Commission. In compliance with \$9.76.030 of the City's Land Use Code, any aggrieved person who, in person, in writing, or by representative, informed the City of their concerns at or before the hearing or decision may appeal a final action by the review authority. Appeals must be filed within 10 business days following the date of the action by filing an appeal, along with the applicable fee.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that, pursuant to \$1094.5 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, "If you challenge City action on a proposed project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the hearing body at, or prior to, the public hearing(s)."

HOW TO OBSERVE AND/OR PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING:

Members of the public may attend the meeting in-person or participate on-line. See the agenda for the Zoom link and dial-in number which will be released at least 72 hours before the meeting is held. Go to www.cityofarcata.org and click on "See Live Meetings, Agendas & Archives." Select "Zoning Administrator" from the Meeting Group list and click on the link to the meeting agenda you would like to view. Requests for accessible meeting accommodation should be made in advance by contacting the City Clerk at 707-822-5953.

HOW TO SUBMIT WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public may attend the meeting in-person to give their comment, or before the meeting by sending an email to jmateer@cityofarcata.org. Emailed comments WILL NOT be read during the meeting, they will be forwarded to the Zoning Administrator and included in the written record of the meeting.

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**Project Description:** New construction of a total of seven dwelling units, four primary and three State accessory dwelling units. The two-story development is about 27 feet in height. Site improvements include new driveway, parking, outdoor lighting, and landscaping. A Minor Use Permit is requested to reduce the required number of parking spaces by one.

**Project Location:** 3289 Janes Road, Arcata





ENJOY IT WHILE IT LASTS These are some of the possibilities for creating ephemeral art along Sequoia Park Zoo's paths.

SUBMITTED PHOTOS

# Art rots at Maker's Apron's Compost Under the Canopy at Sequoia Park Zoo

**MAKER'S APRON**

EUREKA – To celerate Earth Day, Maker's Apron Creative Reuse will present Compost Under the Canopy, a temporary mural installation in Sequoia Park, Sunday April 21 starting at 9 a.m., ending at noon and by sundown, it will be gone. Artists will use fresh

compostable plant materials to transform the trail in Sequoia Park into a colorful art walk under the ancient canopy.

The community will enjoy beautiful art in a vibrant, peaceful setting while learning about the often overlooked fourth "R" of waste reduction: ROT!

Each art tile is sponsored by

the community and created by a local artist. All sponsorship proceeds will support the Maker's Apron creative reuse education programs, bringing the Four R's of waste reduction ... Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rot! ... to kids and adults.

Artists will create an eclectic string of colorful art tiles all

out of fresh (not yet rotting) compostable materials on the trail in Sequoia Park behind the Zoo.

After photos and an afternoon being admired by eco-art fans, at sundown, everything will be swept into the big green bin to become plant food.

You can see it in person before it's gone either from the ground

on the public trail, or from above with your admission to the Sequoia Park Zoo and Redwood Skywalk.

Find schedule, directions, artist sign ups and sponsorship links at [makersapron.org](https://makersapron.org). Maker's Apron Creative Reuse is a DreamMaker Project of the Ink People Center for the Arts.

14th Annual  
THE HUMBOLDT WINE FESTIVAL  
April 27th

Where The Wine Makers Pour & The Proceeds Matter

Event \$60 / \$75 At The Door  
3:00pm - 6:00pm Saturday, April 27th 2024  
Ridgefield Weddings & Events  
2242 Fickle Hill Rd, Arcata

HUMBOLDT WINE FESTIVAL

MEET THE VINTNERS  
ENJOY SAVORY AND SWEET TREATS  
SUPPORT LOCAL & GLOBAL SERVICE PROJECTS

Buy your tickets at Coast Central Credit Union Arcata/Eureka or visit our website at [HumboldtWineFest.com](https://HumboldtWineFest.com)  
Make checks payable to the Rotary Club of Arcata Community Foundation (47-2909432)

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## 2024 Humboldt Bay Symposium – Humboldt Bay in Transition: Navigating Change and Growth

**HUMBOLDT BAY SYMPOSIUM**

HUMBOLDT BAY – The Humboldt Bay Symposium is returning to in-person for the first time since 2019, and will be held at the Sequoia Conference Center in Eureka from April 11 through 13.

The theme of this year's symposium is *Humboldt Bay in Transition: Navigating Change and Growth*.

Sessions will feature presentations on Humboldt Bay climate impacts and equity, Sea Level Rise, Ecology & Restoration, Fisheries & Aquaculture, and Offshore Wind & Port Development.

The Symposium is an opportunity for the public to engage directly with scientists, managers and local experts and learn about the latest developments on a variety of current issues related to Humboldt Bay.

The Symposium is held every two to three years and is convened by the Coastal Ecosystems Institute of Northern California, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting and interpreting coastal ecosystem science along California's North Coast to ensure vibrant and resilient coastal ecosystems.

The Symposium is open to the public, and anyone inter-

ested in Humboldt Bay is encouraged to attend.

Registration for the Symposium is required, and student discounts are available. Tickets can be purchased separately for each day, or for all three days at a discount.

To see full program details and register, visit [coastalecosystemsinstitute.org/index.php/humboldt-bay-symposium](https://coastalecosystemsinstitute.org/index.php/humboldt-bay-symposium).

EASTER IN HUMBOLDT

**FAMILY EGG HUNT**

Saturday, March 23 • 2PM  
Stewart Park, Arcata

**GOOD FRIDAY**

Friday, March 29 • 5PM  
Trinity Church, Arcata

**EASTER SUNDAY**

Sunday, March 31 • 9AM + 11AM  
Arcata Veteran's Hall

SCAN FOR DETAILS

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**WHAT'S HAPPENING AT RNP** The Natural History Museum Cal Poly presents a talk on What's Happening in Redwood National Park with Ranger Steven Karause, Thursday, March 28 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. This talk as part of the NHM speaker series will cover some of the latest projects going on at Redwood State and National Parks, including the Redwoods Rising project and the

California Condor Reintroduction Program. This event is free, donations are appreciated. For more information, visit [natmus@humboldt.edu](mailto:natmus@humboldt.edu) or call (707) 826-4480

**FOAM MARSH TOUR** Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a

free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, March 30. Meet leader Sharon Levy at 2 p.m. in the lobby of the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute, rain-or-shine walk focusing on marsh history, wastewater treatment, birds, and/or ecology. (707) 826-2359

**HOLY WEEK!**  
*Rejoice with us!*

Maundy Thursday (3/28 6PM)  
Good Friday (3/29 7PM)  
EASTER SUNDAY! (3/31)  
Sunrise Service (7AM)  
Legendary Easter Breakfast (8-10AM)  
Celebration & Worship! (10AM)

**EASTER!**

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF ARCATA 822-5117

Eureka SYMPHONY  
World Classics, North Coast Musicians  
WITH ARTISTIC DIRECTOR & CONDUCTOR CAROL JACOBSON

2023-2024 CONCERT SEASON

SCAN OR FOR LINK TO BUY CONCERT TICKETS

**DISTINCTIVE VOICES**  
APRIL 12 & 13, 7:30 P.M.  
ARKLEY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS  
SPONSORED BY MCCREA MOTORS

Featuring the Young Artist Showcase Winners

Ludwig van Beethoven  
Piano Concerto No. 2 in B-flat major Op. 19  
SIERRA PALIAGA, PIANO

Max Bruch  
Violin Concerto in G minor  
AURORA PITTS, VIOLIN

Emmanuel Chabrier  
España, Rhapsody for Orchestra

William Grant Still  
Symphony No. 2 in G minor  
"Song of a New Race"

www.EUREKASYMPHONY.ORG

**AUDUBON BIRDING AT THE MARSH** Join Redwood Region Audubon Society for a free guided field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, March 30 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Bring your binoculars and meet trip leader Kathryn Wendel at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata for easy-to-walk trails. As spring starts to arrive, many resident birds may be singing, nesting, and showing signs of breeding activity. Shorebirds will likely be abundant, so we'll focus our attention on willets, godwits, sanderlings, avocets and curlews in tidal areas, pond islands, and mud around the marsh.

**LOVELY LOLETA BOTTOMS BIRDING** Join the Redwood Region Audubon Society and trip leader Ken Burton on Sunday, March 31 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. for a field trip to the Loleta Bottoms. This portion of the Eel River floodplain is very productive for birds, including raptors, shorebirds, and grassland passerines. The amount of rainfall before the trip will determine how far out we can get. Meet Ken ([shrikethree@gmail.com](mailto:shrikethree@gmail.com)) in front of Loleta Grocery and we will caravan carpool from there.